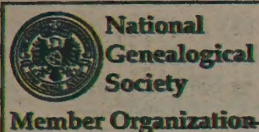




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## Nigel Tranter dead at 90

Nigel Tranter died of the flu January 10, 2000 at his East Lothian Home near Edinburgh in Scotland at age 90.

He was a Scottish patriot and the author of 130 books and was always considered one of Scotland's finest novelists.

He was best known for his historical novels and his factual four-volume study *The Fortified House*, but other works included romances, westerns and children's books.

Ian Hamilton, QC, a life-long friend of Tranter, said, "this is the death of a man who

gave ordinary Scots all over the world their history back - that is his great and abiding achievement. I have also lost a great personal friend."

Tranter, whose 90th birthday celebrations in November coincided with the publication of his novel *Envoy Extraordinary* and his forthcoming biography, is believed to have been suffering from the flu for several days.

Born in Glasgow to a modest middle-class background, Tranter was educated in

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## We have a few Scottish Weekend 2000 tickets available. Sign up now! It's really a fun event & you learn things!

If you wish to come to Scottish Weekend 2000, you need to go ahead and sign up as the tickets are almost gone. We do have a few left, but they will go fast.

Scottish Weekend 2000 is February 18, 19, 20, 2000 here at The Odom Library in Moultrie.

The event begins with the Old Fashioned Dutch Treat Ceilidh (\$9.00 each for an all you can eat buffet), at The Embers in Moultrie Friday evening. The entertainers all take part and you are welcome

to join in as well. Be sure to bring your musical instrument, favorite story or song!

On Saturday, the Scottish Weekend 2000 continues with programs on schedule all day at the library (in the main reading area and the classroom) and the Colquitt Museum of History (across the street from the library). We'll have entertainers, Kitty Carroll and her accipiters and Mowatt's Scottish Classics in the children's library and Weems and Sons Booksellers in the large auditorium where Diana Gabaldon

will do a book signing at a time to be announced.

Saturday evening will be our Gala Banquet and Ceilidh with a marvelous seafood buffet, great entertainment, door prizes and lots more. We'll have Burns' *Address to the Haggis* featuring old friend Hamish Mowat and The Great Bonniest Knees Contest too.

Our Odom Heritage Award Winner, Diana Gabaldon, will accept her award at the Gala Banquet and Ceilidh on Saturday night and

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## Friday night Scottish Weekend Dutch-Treat Old Fashioned Ceilidh at The Embers

We have now in Moultrie an old favorite restaurant in a brand new building with plenty of seating for our Friday night Old Fashioned Dutch-Treat Ceilidh - The Embers! The Embers has a lovely, large room that will enable everyone in our group to dine in comfort and enjoy our marvelous entertainment.

Located just across the bypass on the south side of the Quitman Highway, it is just

two blocks east of the two motels that most of our visitors use, The Embers is convenient, comfortable and famous for its delicious Southern cooking. (Our very first Scottish Weekend Ceilidhs were held at The Embers in their old building.)

The restaurant will be closed to the public the evening of our Ceilidh. The doors will open for Scottish Weekend registrants at 6:30

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## Clan MacNab comes "home" to Moultrie!

### Ceud Mile Failte

David W. MacNabb, President Clan MacNab of NA announces that the Clan MacNab Society of NA is proud to make the Odom Library its home and will be sending all of the genealogical information gathered from members over the last 25 years and a large MacNab tartan banner to join the Clan MacNab history books that were donated years

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# Happy 10th Birthday to us!

The Family Tree is 10 years old with this issue!



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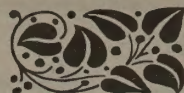
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### Alabama Genealogical Society, Inc., plans May seminar

The Alabama Genealogical Society, Inc., will hold its annual spring seminar May 6, 2000 in Brooks Hall, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama.

Leslie Smith Collier will give lectures on Sherlock Holmes and the "Write" Way to Research, In Deeds I Trust (And So Should You), and How Lay the Land.

If you would like more information contact the AGS, Samford University Library, PO Box 2296, Birmingham, AL 35229-0001. You may email Jyl Hardy at <[jylhardy@bellsouth.net](mailto:jylhardy@bellsouth.net)> or email Sara Lindsey at <[saralindsey@juno.com](mailto:saralindsey@juno.com)>

### Elmer C. Spear Library site of Ohio Genealogical Society meeting

Madison, Florida will welcome the Florida Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society on February 18-19 celebrating their 16th annual conference. The meeting will be held at the Elmer C. Spear Library.

Guest speaker, Curt Witcher, will present a program on Saturday, the 19th. For more information, contact Elmer C. Spear at 850-929-2846 or you might like to use your computer to email <[espear@digitalexp.com](mailto:espear@digitalexp.com)>

### DAR Library is now online!

The Daughters of the American Revolution is now online as near as your computer at <[www.dar.library.net](http://www.dar.library.net)>

This library is one of the nations premier genealogical research centers and was ranked the third most important of national institutions based on the uniqueness of sources in a listing by the publisher of *Heritage Quest*.

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### Gen-Fair 2000 Genealogical Seminar set for March

The Gen-Fair 2000 Genealogical Seminar presented by Alliance of Genealogical Societies of Southwest Florida will be held on Saturday, March 4, 2000, from 8 AM to 4 PM at the Shady Oaks Community Center, 3280 Marion Street, Fort Myers, Florida.

Nationally known genealogy columnist, lecturer and author, George C. Morgan will be the speaker.

Fees include lunch and are \$35 now and at the door.

Send fee and your lunch choice (vegetarian, turkey or crab salad) to AGS of Southwest Florida c/o Robert Tedford, 1100 Belkton Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33948-6206. You may email <[therapydogs@cs.com](mailto:therapydogs@cs.com)>

### Cobb County, Georgia invites you to workshop

The Cobb County, Georgia Genealogical Society, Inc., invites you to attend a Pre-1800 Virginia Research Workshop

featuring Robert Young Clay, Genealogical Librarian of the Virginia State Library on March 18, 2000 all day in Marietta, Georgia.

Cost is \$30 for nonmembers and \$25 for members.

If you would like more information or would like to register, contact CCGS, PO Box 1413, Marietta, GA 30061-1413 by March 10, 2000.

### Genealogy Fair celebrates the 250th anniversary of Cumberland County, Pennsylvania

May 20 has been set for the Genealogy Fair which will celebrate the 250th anniversary of Cumberland County, Pennsylvania.

Sponsored by the Cumberland County Historical Society, the event will be held from 8 AM until 4 PM at 21 North Pitt St., Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Preregistration is required. Fees are \$20 for nonmembers of the CCHS and \$18 for members.

The Cumberland County Historical Society Museum Shop will be open all day.

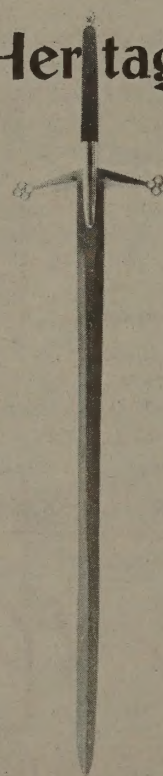
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### The Society of Descendants of Goliad Formed

The Battle Cry of Texas Independence is "Remember the Alamo!" "Remember Goliad!" now makes two battle cry societies that honor the dead of that storied time.

It was not until 1936, one hundred years after the Goliad Massacre, that a monument was erected by the State of Texas honoring the 342 men who were slaughtered at Goliad.

Now, 163 years after the

Goliad Massacre (which took place on Palm Sunday, March 27, 1836) The Society of Descendants of Goliad has been formed as a Patriotic Society, to promote a better awareness of the valor of the Texas Heroes of the Battle of Coleto and Goliad and their unique place in Texas History.

Membership is open to all descendants of those who fought for Texas independence and died at the Battle of Coleto; were killed by order of Mexican General Santa Anna at Goliad, Palm Sunday, March 27, 1836, after they had surrendered at the battle of Coleto; and to those who were spared from death and those who escaped from Goliad.

Nationally known genealogist Timothy Field Beard, author of *How to Find Your Family Roots*, is the Genealogist General for the Society. Contact the Society at P.O. Box 1208, San Antonio, Texas 78294.



### Founders of Old Mobile Society organized

After months and years of discussion and planning, the Founders of Old Mobile Society was formed in November 1999 in Mobile, Alabama.

Initial officers selected are Elizabeth Mayrose, President; Jeanne-Félicie Mercier, Vice President; Villie Frugé Moore, Secretary; Carole Quail, Treasurer and Gloria Wier, Historian.

The first general meeting of the society was at the Moorer Branch Public Library in Mobile on January 18.

Any proven descendant of any founder of old Mobile who actually lived at the 27-Mile Bluff capitol town is eligible for membership in the society. Dues are \$10 and members will receive certificates of admissions, as well as newsletters and listings on the master roll of membership. Please write Elizabeth Mayrose, president at 11 South Monterey St., Mobile,



AL 36604 or to Ville Frugé Moore at 7175 N. Murray Heights, Irvington, AL 36544.

The purpose of the society is to promote interest in historical and genealogical research and to help connect long-lost family members and friends. Numerous family reunions will be organized in the year 2002, in connection with Mobile's celebration of the Tercentennial of its founding in 1702 as the first capital of French Louisiana.

Prominent names of the founders with living descen-

dants include the family names of Saucier, Graveline, Baudin, Alexandre, Minette, Rochon, Rivard, La Pointe, Chauvin and others. It is also likely that anyone with the names Ladnier, Bosarge and Ryan are connected to the founders of old Mobile.

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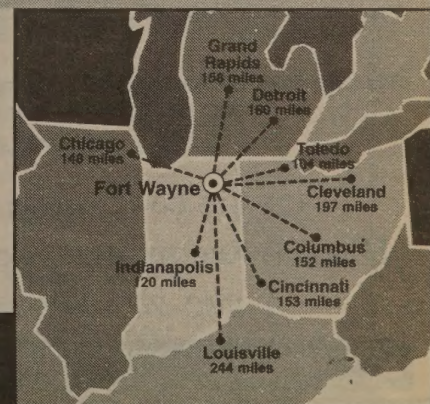
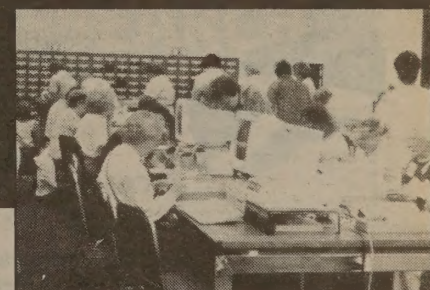
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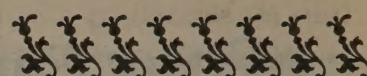
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#### Bring your phone books to Moultrie!

Harriet Carlton, Moultrie, Georgia and Ocala, Florida resident, had a great idea! To enhance the telephone book collection at the library in Moultrie, when you plan to come to The Odom Library, bring along your last years' phone book to add to our collection!

Your old phone book will benefit many as part of our collection at the library in Moultrie.



#### Hispanics own 3.99 million homes

On a national basis, Hispanics comprise an increasing number of homeowners. From 1994 to 1998, the number of Hispanic-owned homes grew from 3.16 million to 3.99 million throughout the country said Bob Callis, a statistician with the U.S. Census Bureau.

#### Scottish Weekend, continued from page 1A

we'll celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> birthday of *The Family Tree*, too.

Sunday, the Kirkin' o' the Tartan at the First Presbyterian Church will be followed by the most delicious luncheon you've ever been to...home cooking by the ladies of the church (and some of the men, too!).

If you wish to come, send a check for \$55.00 for each person to: Scottish Weekend 2000, The Odom Library, PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776. If you wish to use your charge card, just send the number, the expiration date, which card, etc., to the same address.

Credit card users: There is a \$5.00 fee for each party registration (\$60 for one person, \$115 for two, etc.) and your charge will show up on your statement as a purchase from Weems and Sons Booksellers. (Reservations after February 15 are \$60 each plus, if you use a credit card, the \$5 extra per party.)

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Iain MacHarg is an accomplished Grade I Piper and is a full-time music instructor in Highland Piping, Small piping and Whistle. He is well known in competitions at Scottish games and gatherings and has been the recipient of numerous awards within the Eastern United States Pipe Band Association.

He has also been instrumental in the formation of three rock groups: Whisky Before Breakfast; High Road; and Prydein. The latter two will be touring this summer and are currently in the process of recording their debut albums.

The Nestor J. MacDonald award of \$1000 will assist Iain's studies at The College of Piping, Prince Edward Island, Canada.

The award was established by The Caledonian Foundation USA in honor of its first Chairman. The late Mr. MacDonald, a prominent business executive, was born on the Isle of Skye in Scotland and was for many years a leading figure in Scottish affairs in the United States.

For more information contact Duncan MacDonald, 1-800-713-0507.

## Culloden being "saved" by Hebridean sheep

At the famous battle of 1746, Culloden Moor was a wildflower meadow. It is now being restored to that state by a herd of some 60 hardy Hebridean sheep!

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The radar had, in fact, latched onto a NATO Tornado aircraft in the North Sea which was taking part in a simulated low-flying exercise over the Borders and Southern Scotland.

Following a complaint by the Chief Constable of the Lothian and Borders Police to the RAF liaison office, it was revealed that the police officers had a lucky escape. The tactical computer on board the aircraft not only detected and jammed the "hostile" radar, but had automatically armed the air-to-ground missile ready to neutralize the perceived "threat."

Luckily the Dutch pilot was alerted to the missile status and

was able to override the automatic protection system before the missile launched.

The police have declined to comment, although it is understood that officers will be advised to point their radar guns inland in the future.

With thanks to *The Pibroch*, St. Andrew's Society of Baltimore, Maryland, PO Box 715, Chesapeake City, MD 21915.

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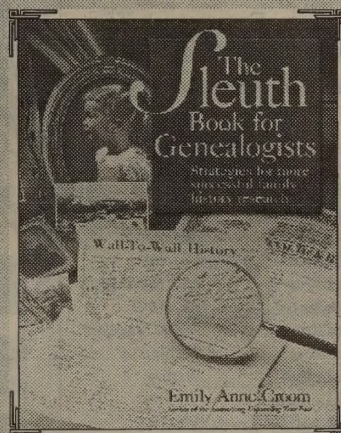
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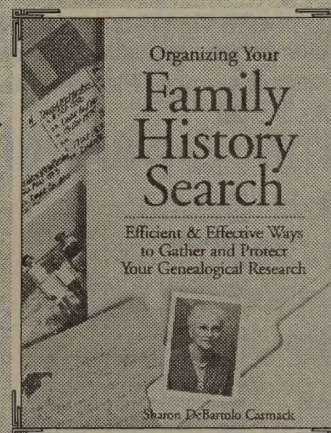


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outstanding loyalty and service.

The Chief expressed his appreciation to Adam for the many valuable things which he, with the capable assistance of his wife, Liz, had done for the Clan, especially organizing and administering the two outstanding international gatherings of Clan Urquhart.

The third Clan Urquhart International Gathering is being tentatively scheduled for July of 2004.

Urquhart's are invited to  
c o n t a c t  
<clanurquhart@yahoo.com>

### Dunbar hunting tartan accepted and approved!

The Clan Dunbar hunting tartan has been accepted and approved by the chief of the Dunbars, Col. Dr. Sir James Dunbar of Mochrum, BT, USAF (ret.). The tartan was originally conceived by Scott Harrison Dunbar and Tom Dunbar in 1986 and the design was refined and woven by D.C. Dalgliesh, Ltd., of Selkirk, Scotland.

The tartan retains the sett of the Clan tartan, but uses another

shade of green to replace the red of the "regular" Clan tartan.

The new tartan is being registered with the Scottish Tartans Authority and should be available from the major Scottish mills. The Chief of the Dunbars granted his approval after seeing tartan this past summer.

If you would like more information, contact Thomas Dunbar, 502 Harmon St., Lexington, SC 29022.

### Clan Mackenzie schedules gathering set for next August 8-13

The Clan Mackenzie Society Gathering 2000 will take place next August 8-13 in Strathpeffer, Scotland. Attendees will learn Clan Mackenzie history and there will be genealogy and heraldry workshops

and a visit to Mackenzie lands. There will be a ceilidh and Grand Ball and Tea at Castle Leod as well. Please contact Rita D. McKenzie Oster at 1-800-673-5856 for full information.



### Clan Cochrane dropped as sept of Clan Donald

The 15<sup>th</sup> Earl of Dundonald, Clan Cochrane Chief, has made it clear that Clan Cochrane members are descended from Scandinavian seafarers, with the earliest use of the name dated at 1268. Historically, this was the time of the Vikings and Norsemen who invaded and settled in England, Scotland and Ireland.

It is likely that the thought that Clan Cochrane was a part of Clan Donald came from a family of MacEachern's who fled the Highlands and moved to the Lowlands and changed their name to Cochrane in the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

If you would like to learn more about Clan Cochrane, the Chief has copies of *The Fighting Cochranes* for sale at \$30 each. Contact Laurie Clarkston at 503 Ronnie Court, Spotsylvania, VA 22553 or call 540-582-2699 or email <garadh@erols.com>

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**SIDEBAR** Our reunion page will now be provided by Edith Wagner, editor of *Reunions* magazine, author of *Reunions Workbook and Catalog* and *The Family Reunion Sourcebook* (1999, Lowell House, Los Angeles) in bookstores now. She collects material for this column and *Reunions* magazine from family reunions and invites you to share your reunion ideas, concerns or questions.

Contact Wagner at <reunions@execpc.com> or send to *Reunions* magazine, PO Box 11727, Milwaukee WI 53211-0727. Visit *Reunions* magazine web site at <www.reunionsmag.com>

Thanks, Edith! A great "perk" of my job is getting to know...and becoming friends with great folks like Edith Wagner. Why didn't we think of this sooner?

When your editor, Beth Gay, asked me to fill a page with reunions and reunion information, I wondered what would be most helpful right now.

I'll share reunion tidbits that might pique your interest or perhaps ideas you'd not thought of before. My hope will be to enhance the reunion you're already planning or to inspire you to think about establishing a reunion for your family.

I'll also select reunions to announce who include ideas that also inspire. Read them carefully because even though it may not be your family reunion, they'll likely be incorporating something that might just give you some special ideas.

An easy thought for this time was to look at the calendar to see what you should be doing now if you were in charge of a reunion in June or later this year.

This is a good time to confirm details you've already arranged like accommodations, entertainment, photographer and caterer. It's also a good time to start the fun task of selecting your menu if it wasn't done earlier.

It's already too late to get your announcement in the spring issue of *Reunions* magazine. But if your reunion is after June 15, 2000, there's still time to send an announcement (*Reunions* magazine, PO Box 11727, Milwaukee WI 53211-0727).

Now is the time to send announcements to your local newspaper, if they are among a growing number who include upcoming reunions in their calendars of events.

If you plan to obtain greetings, welcomes, acknowledgements or citations from local officials, send your request now. You're much more likely to have an answer in plenty of time.

If you've never requested official greetings before, contact your local representative, city council person or county board representative and ask for suggestions. There are always lots of whereas-es and wherefore-es so you must help fill in lots of blanks. For your request, include the name, date and place of your reunion, and information about your family and their special connection to the city or county.

Don't stop with local officials, contact your governor and solicit greetings from the President (yes, the one in the White House!). Write to Carmen Fowler, Room 91, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave, Washington DC 20500. The White House request should be made quickly to assure that you have a response before your reunion... if it arrives the week after, it's not nearly as much fun.

5 months before ... \* Confirm reservations, entertainment, photographer, caterer \* Choose menu \* Announce event to local news media, elected officials \* Continue communicating with your

members to build momentum. 2-4 months before ... \* Meet with hotel staff, visit facility with reunion committee \* Select decorations, theme, signs banners and order printed items \* Reserve rental equipment \* Submit personalized souvenir order (t-shirts, mugs, caps ...)

Please share your ideas for me to include here or in other places for which I regularly write; in *Reunions* magazine and <familytreemaker.com>

## The Browns converge on Estes Park

The Brown Family Reunion will invade the YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park, Colorado, June 6-8, 2000. The mid-week reunion is planned for 185 members attending from 12 states. Members will be distinguished by different color and shape name tags to indicate who each is descended from.

Contact Sybil Richardson, PO Box 165, 402 S. 7th, Canute OK 73626; 580-472-3774.

## Hentila centennial

The descendants of Matti and Alexandra Hentila will meet in New York Mills, Minnesota, June 30-July 2, 2000 to celebrate their 100th anniversary reunion.

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Contact Cheryl Miller, 5311 Twin Elms Dr, Racine WI 53406, 262-634-4117; <cgjmill@wi.net>

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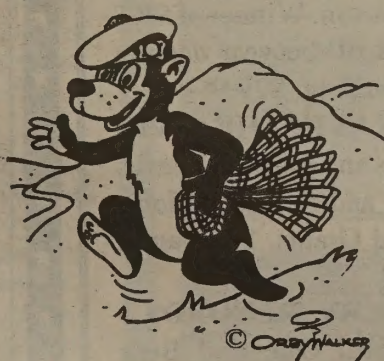
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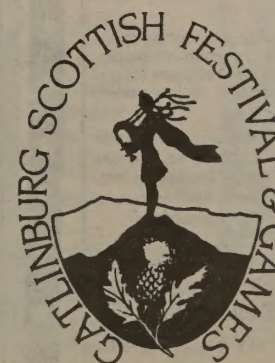
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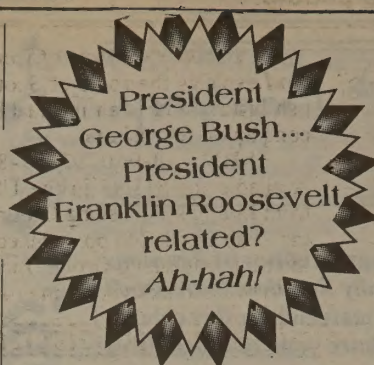
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Elvis Presley would have turned 65 this past January. Many radio stations are paying tribute to "the King" and I have seen all sorts of articles about him in print this week, too. In one note of interest, the *RootsWeb Review* (<<http://www.rootsweb.com>>) points out that "the King" was related to a president. It seems that Elvis Presley and former President Jimmy Carter share a 17th-century German ancestor who might make them sixth cousins once removed.

*RootsWeb Review* says that

the findings were first published in *More Palantine Families* in 1991 by Henry Z. Jones. Another book, *Notable Kin, Volume Two* by Gary Boyd Roberts, agrees.

According to these experts, the immigrant ancestor of Presley's paternal line was Valentine Preslar, born in Germany around 1669, who immigrated to New York with his wife, Anna Christina Framse, in 1709. Among their three sons and two daughters was Andreas Preslar, who was born in Germany in 1701 and died

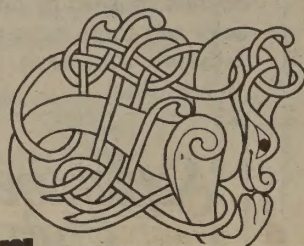


in Anson County, North Carolina in 1759.

The same research shows that Carter also descends from Valentine Preslar (the name sometimes is spelled Presslar, Presler, or Bressler) and Anna Christiana Framse, through their son Andreas and his wife Anne (Antje) Wells.

*RootsWeb* says, "If you find names like Preslar, Presslar, Presler or Bressler on your family tree, you might be related to a president and a king, too."

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President Bush and President Roosevelt were related through their common Delano line.

Francis Cooke and Hester De La Noye had a child in Leiden, Holland and all three sailed on the Mayflower in 1620. Their daughter, Jane, was Mr. Bush's "grandmother" eleven times removed.

Hester's sister, Marie De La Noye, also had a child in Leiden - a son named Philippe. The name De La Noye became Delano and Philippe's grandchild, seven generations re-

moved, was President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

This little story proves two genealogical homilies. The first is that names DO change! We so often hear, "That can't be my Green (or any other name) family...mine has an 'e' on the end of it, or doesn't have an 'e' on the end, or my family is Palmer, not Palmour!"

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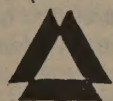
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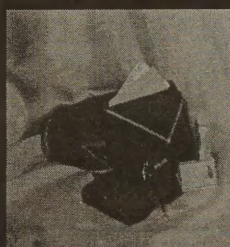
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Nigel Tranter, continued from page 1A

Edinburgh, trained as an accountant and worked for an Edinburgh insurance company until 1939 when he joined the Royal Artillery.

His first published novel, *Trespass*, came out in 1937. By the time he became a full time writer in 1946, he already had ten books to his name.

He attributed his success to the adoption of a daily routine, one which rarely changed, over decades. This included a

walk of up to 12 miles a day.

It was a superstition of Tranter's never to write the final page of one book until he was ready to start the first page of his next novel the following day.

Mr. Tranter found companionship with Joan Earle, a widow ten years his junior, after his wife of 46 years, May, died in 1982. Mrs. Earle is credited with playing an important part in his creative pro-

cess, reading each chapter after he produced it on the same battered Imperial typewriter which stood him in good stead for decades.

The Odom Library had planned to honor Mr. Tranter with an Odom Heritage Award next month, to be presented in person in Scotland next June.

The Scottish Weekend will be dedicated to Mr. Tranter in his memory.

Clan MacNab,

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ago. Various other books from the Clan library will also be donated.

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During the six day seminar, over 130 programs covering a broad variety of topics were presented. Attendees heard from Marion Smith, Historian, US Immigration and Naturalization Service, Harry Macy Jr, Editor of the New York Genealogical & Biographical Record, Oleg Perzashkevich, Researcher from the Minsk (Belarus) Genealogy Group, Professor Michael Stanislawski, Nathan J. Miller Professor of Jewish History at Columbia University, Dr. Erwin A. Schmidl, Head of Research, Austrian Ministry of Defense, Dr. Robert Desnick, Chairman of the Department of Human Genetics at Mount Sinai School of Medicine, Vadim Altskan, Deputy Director, Registry of Survivors, US Holocaust Memorial Museum and many more.

More than 25 groups with specific locality or country interests met during the Conference to share information. These included researchers interested in Slutsk, Belarus, Odessa, Suwalk-Lomza, Lithuania, Slonim, Kutno,

Nesvitzh, Argentina, Bohemia-Moravia, Siaulaia District, Polonnoye, Kolbuszowa, Latvia, Rzeszow, Lida District, Kielce-Radom, Grodno, Kupiskis, Roskiskis, Volhynia, Hungary, Latin America, South Africa, Warsaw, Keidan and Germany. Even descendants of Yiddish theatre performers met as a group!

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Resource and Computer Rooms set up at the Marriott Marquis Hotel were busy from the moment they opened. These included copies of original materials and databases brought by participants or donated for use during the Conference by NYC archives, libraries or government agencies. Many of these research tools were seen for the first time at this Conference. In addition to the Jewish Genealogical Society, Inc (New York), the Jewish Genealogical Societies of North Jersey and Philadelphia brought parts of their libraries to the Conference for easy access to reference materials by attendees.

Delegates to the annual meeting elected Howard Margol, immediate past president of the JGS of Georgia, Inc to be President of the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies, the governing body of our JGS's. They also voted to give \$2,000 in Malcolm H. Stern Award grants to the International Survey of Jewish Monuments and to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum to computerize lists of Holocaust victims compiled by the Soviet Extraordinary Commission. For it's sec-

ond year, the IAJGS Awards committee selected recipients for outstanding contributions to Jewish genealogy: Lifetime Achievement - Arthur Kurzweil; Contributions via the Internet - JRI-Poland (Jewish Records Indexing-Poland); Contributions via Print - Miriam Weiner for her book Jewish Roots In Poland; Programming that Advances the Objectives of Jewish Genealogy - Jewish Genealogical Society of Michigan; Publication by a Member Society of IAJGS - Israel Genealogical Society for Sharsheret Hadorot; and Project that Advances the Objectives of Jewish Genealogy - Jewish Genealogical Society, Inc. (New York) for initiating the Jewish Genealogical Family Finder (at the banquet, credit was given to Gary Mokotoff, formerly of JGS, Inc., who invented, financed, and computerized the first database of ancestral towns and surnames being researched by Jewish genealogists all over the world, which was given to all Jewish Genealogical Societies.)

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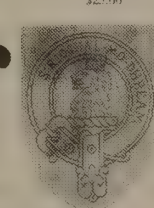
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New faces on the leadership team are Ben Forrester, vice president; Rita Foster, secretary; Laura Forrester, council member and Will Foster, council member. Will Foster, who lives in North Carolina, is a trustee of the Torwood Castle Trust and serves as the liaison between Clan Forrester and the

Trust. Betty Forrester will serve as editor of *Corstorphine Journal*.

Pam Forrester was elected to continue as the society's treasurer.

Other members of the council, all of whom have worked previously as officers are: James V. "Jim" Forrester,

Reggie Foster, Jon David Forrester, E. Jerald "Jerry" Forrester and Sonia Newman.

### New officers named for Armstrong Clan Society

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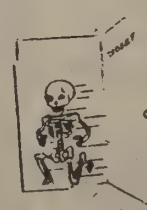
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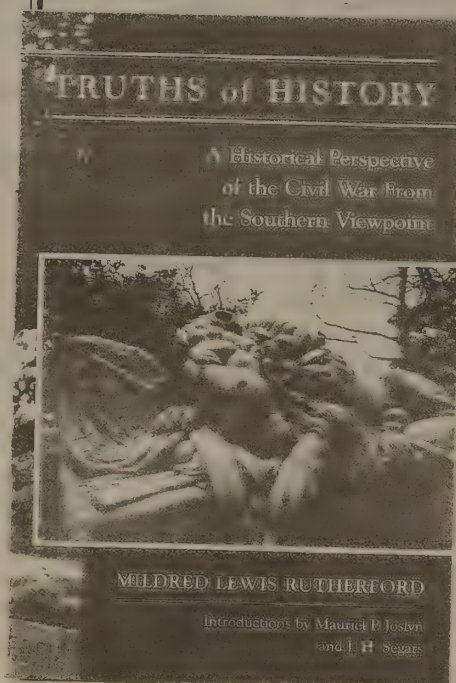
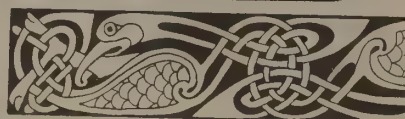
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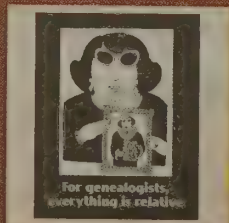
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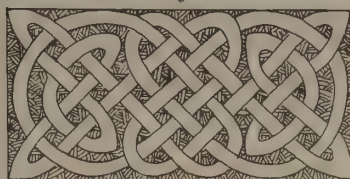
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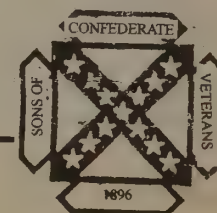
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Rob Corbidge

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Adding to other recent comments on his family history-Redford said last week his father had been an Edinburgh milkman during the 1920s and had moved to California to escape the Depression-the actor stated that his family hailed from Aberdeen and Cluny "and the west side".

"I was told that my ancestry, on one side, goes back to Mary of Stuart," said Redford. "I've tried to do my own genealogy studies. I went to a place on Princes Street when I was 19 years old; I went into a little store there that hunted down family trees. All I found out was the family emigrated from the west side in 1878."

Redford has raised his Scottish connections in the past: his 1993 film, *A River Runs Through It*, was based on a tale about a Scottish minister's passion for fly-fish-

ing.

A search at the family history department of the Mitchell Library in Glasgow has lent some credence to Redford's

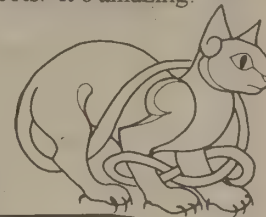
claim. The International Genealogical index, which lists more than 187m dead people, could reveal only two adult Redfords in Scotland from the mid-1800s.

The actor has identified his tartan as Stewart and a Redford did marry a Stewart.

One conclusion could be that a family myth sprang up allowing Stewart to become Stuart, the name of Mary's royal house.

"I do have a family heirloom," says Redford, "a tam-o'-shanter passed down from my great-grandmother. So

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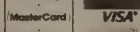
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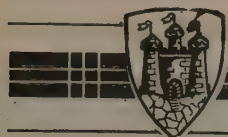
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### Clan Moncreiffe Society plans gathering in Scotland next May

The Clan Moncreiffe Society held its second Annual Meeting at the Stone Mountain Games last October. The membership has increased to 86 members in one year with newsletters being sent to all members.

There is now a Clan Moncreiffe Society website which will give information on the society and details on the gathering in Perth, Scotland next May 26-30. The site is: <[www.moncreiffe.org](http://www.moncreiffe.org)>

The society welcomes new members and hopes Moncreiff's from the UK will attend the gathering.

With thanks to Ernest Moncreiff, president Clan Moncreiffe Society.

### MacBean's to hold Quadrennial World Wide Gathering

The Clan MacBean will be holding its Quadrennial World Wide Gathering in Colorado Springs, Colorado, USA next August 3-6. All MacBeans and their septs are invited to attend.

For further information please contact Clan MacBean Headquarters, 441 Wadsworth Blvd., Suite 213, Lakewood, CO 80226. Phone and fax: 303-233-6002. You may email <[macbean@ecentral.com](mailto:macbean@ecentral.com)>

Office hours are 9 AM until noon Tuesdays and Thursdays. You may also contact the Project Director, Major William F. Beane, USA (ret.) at 719-599-8708 or fax: 719-599-8708.

### Marion Marjoribanks presents "stick" to Marjoribanks Chief

During the recent Annual General Meeting of The Marjoribanks Family, Marion Marjoribanks of Coldstream presented the Chief with a Chief's walking stick, which

### Clan Cameron Association issues worldwide "Millennium Newsletter"

In an unprecedented effort of intercommunication, the Clan Cameron Association has issued an association-wide "Millennium Newsletter" to its members in Scotland, England, Australia, New Zealand and North America. Twenty pages of original and interesting content await readers, including two feature articles: "Where We Have Been," by Colonel Sir Donald H. Cameron of Lochiel, XXVI Chief of Clan Cameron and "Where We Are Going" by Lochiels' eldest son, Donald A. Cameron, Younger of Lochiel.

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she had made herself, with his name inscribed on a silver band.

The handle is shaped like a shepherd's crook, but Jarion says that, in the Borders, it was known simply as a "stick." In the Highlands it would be called a crummock, from the Gaelic "cromag."

If you would like information on the Marjoribanks organization, contact Robert marjoribanks, The Marjoribanks Family, 2228 Kipling St., Ottawa, Ontario K1H 6T5, Canada.

### Did you see the Montgomery kilt on TV?

If you happened to see the

November 2, 1999 episode of the *Dharma and Greg* show, you may have noticed that the kilt worn by actor Thomas Gibson - Greg Montgomery on the show - was a Montgomery kilt loaned to 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox by Clan Montgomery Society International member Robert B. Montgomery.

If you missed it, you're sure to see the show again on reruns!

### Moffat Chief declares 2000 as "1000<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Moffat Family"

Madam Jean Moffat of that Ilk, Chief of the Name and Arms of the Family of Moffat,

has declared the year 2000 as the 1000<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Moffat Family. She is calling for all persons of the name Moffat to assemble for Gathering 2000 in Scotland. Many activities are planned in the town of Moffat during the

week of June 10-16, including the Annual General Meeting of the Clan.

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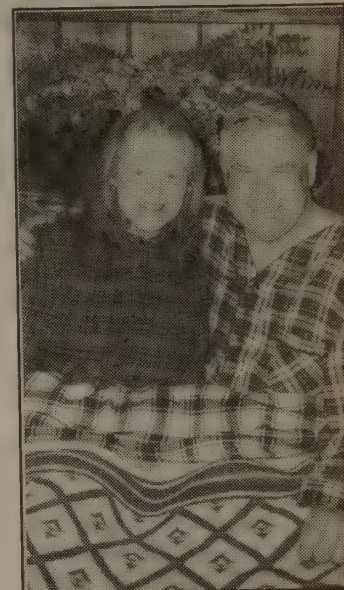
## Tartan Jammie epidemic spreads in California!



Ann Holmes writes, "...a picture of my husband, Jim, and I in our tartan jammies, Christmas 1999. Can you tell I love plaid?"

Yes, ma'am, we can! If you have a photograph of you or your family or anyone infected with Tartan Jammie...send it to us!

Mrs. Holmes says she attends Scottish games in California and is working on her genealogy. She also enjoys Scottish Country Dancing.



### Robert McLaren has an updated "Clan Genealogist List"

Mr. Robert D. McLaren of 7810 Kincardine Court in Alexandria, VA 22315-4025, has announced that he has an updated Scottish Clan Genealogists list.

If you would like a copy of the list, send a manila 8 1/2 x 11 inch envelope with \$2.00 stamps to Mr. McLaren or a new computer disc and SASE for a copy on floppy disc.



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### Attention Edgar Guest fans!

We had a nice letter from Philip W. Collins, Sr., of 103 Hillside Avenue, Livingston, NJ 07039 asking if anyone happens to know which of Edgar A. Guest's books contained this poem:

Somebody labored years ago  
Whose name I do not know  
Plowed ground or sailed the open sea  
And loved a maiden that I might be.

Two centuries ago or more  
A woman at an English door  
Looked fondly at a lilac tree  
And passed that little bit of pride to me

One stood enraptured as he heard  
The music of a singing bird  
And now with each passing spring  
I find I do the self same thing.

Could we untangle all our lives  
And learn how much in us survives  
We might discover how far  
Goes back what makes us what we are.

Edgar A. Guest

If anyone knows, please contact Mr. Collins.

### Interested in a Scottish exchange student?

Malcolm is a 17-year-old from Tain in Easter Kintail, near Dornoch. He is hoping to find a family in America that would accept him as an exchange student for the first six months of 2000. He is a resourceful young man who holds down a part-time job while going to school. He is into computers, disco music, golf, soccer and plays on the school's table tennis team. He is skilled on percussion instruments and is active in the Protestant church.

Malcolm's father in Conductor of the Inverness Choral Society and is also organist at the beautiful Dornoch Cathedral, so Malcolm comes by his love of music naturally. He is allergic to cats and birds. If you are interested in Malcolm or another exchange student, call Youth For Understanding at 1-800-872-0200. Malcolm is registered with that group in their Pacific Northwest area.

### Fascinating article on the Ark of the Covenant in The Augustan

In the current issue of *The Augustan - an International Journal of History, Heraldry, Genealogy and Chivalry*, is an absolutely fascinating article. The lengthy article is: An Interview with the Venerable Getahun Atlaw, Archdeacon of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church of Jerusalem: On Abyssinian Traditions of the Solomonic Dynasty, Ecclesiastical Distinction and the Ark of the Covenant by Charles Bryant-Abraham, Ph.D., OAA.

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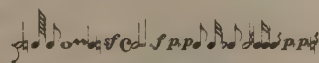
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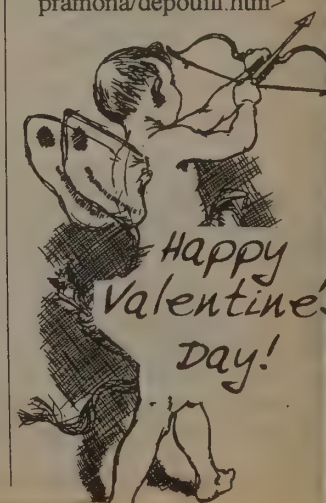
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If you are researching ancestors in France, you may be interested in a Web site that has thousands of records online. There are also a few records from Belgium and a handful from French-speaking Canada available at the same site. The databases available include:

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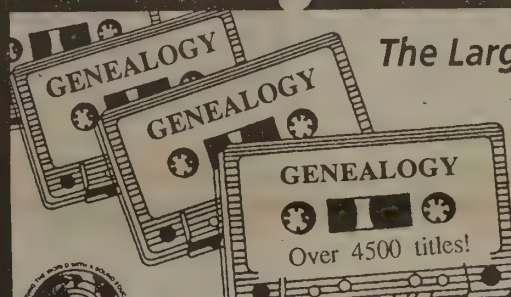


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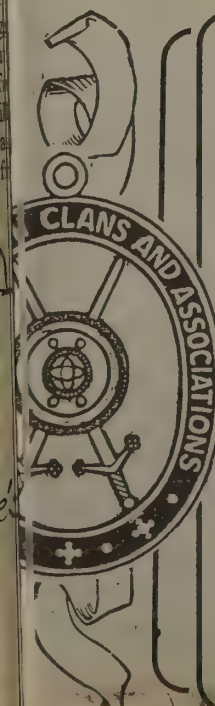
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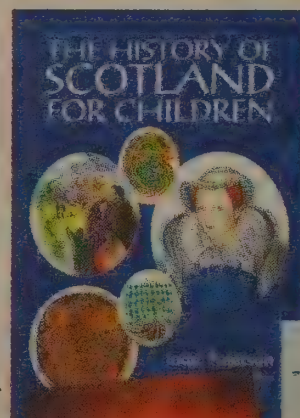
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# THE FAMILY TREE

News from the Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library

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**Lipka zeroes in on boney guy and wins Hattie's t-shirt!  
Ann H. Anderson finds him to win a tartan dog collar...  
Evaline King spots our skinny one and wins too!**

We have three big winners this time who all fearlessly tracked down our skeleton fellow to win really nice prizes!

Mrs. John Lipka of Peoria Heights, Illinois wins a great genealogical t-shirt from Hattie's Clothesline! Ann H. Anderson of Tulsa, Oklahoma wins a handsome dog collar from Bonbright Woolens in her favorite tartan and Evaline King of Salem, Virginia wins a gift certificate from the real Skeleton Closet good for the most useful genealogical forms anywhere!

Winning subscriptions to *reunions magazine* are: Margaret E. Zerwekh of Delafield, Wisconsin; S. Marvin Henderson of Humphrey, Arkansas; Jean Ouellette of Claremont, New Hampshire; Robert Caldwell of Port Charlotte, Florida; Kathleen Crooks of Sierra Vista, California; Darlene McKinney of West Plains, Missouri; John McCutchen of Jackson, Tennessee; BobbaLee Hughes of Hay Springs, Nebraska; Richard Lyon Castner of Rochester, New York; and Nelson Rediger of Upland, Indiana...all intrepid skeleton hunters who perused our pages to find that skinny guy on page 12A of the last issue lurking in the Southern Lion ad!

## What is this skeleton mess?

One of our newer readers called *The Family Tree* office the other day and said, "Now tell me, just what is this skeleton mess?"

I probably can't explain it so poetically, but I'll try. Sometimes genealogists get very, very, very serious...and genealogy is a very serious interest/hobby/avocation/passion/disease. We sorta thought we could have some fun with

it while we were being serious.

Sometimes newer genealogists get all worried because they are afraid that they will find "a skeleton" in their closet.

Seasoned genealogists know that we all have not one, but closets filled with skeletons...as by the time we go back only 20 generations, we have over 1,400,000 folks in our own personal family trees.

It just makes sense that not all of those folks could always

wear silk and lace and be pillars of their communities. There are skeletons in everybody's closet.

So, we just get over that hump and go ahead and let everyone "find the skeleton!" He's always hiding somewhere in our pages!

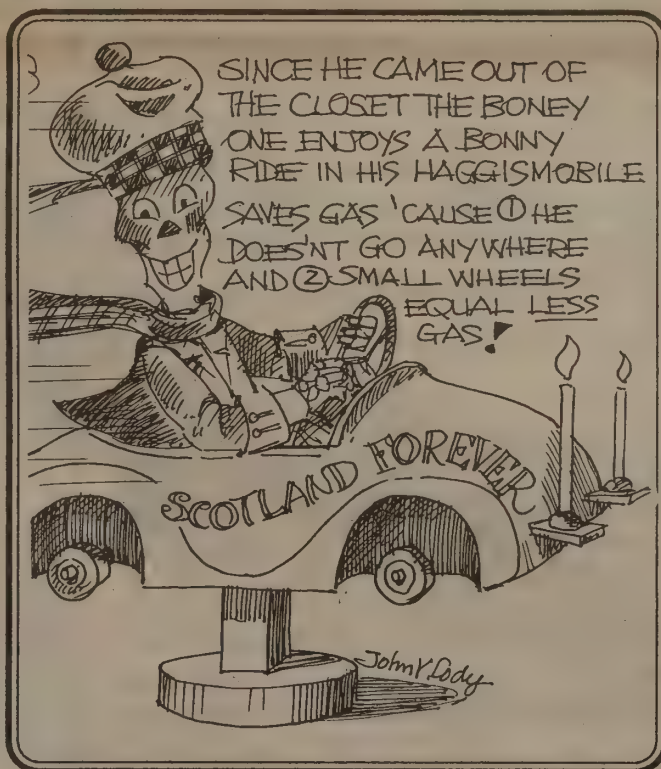
## How to enter?

All you have to do to join in and maybe win a nice prize is to find him in our pages! When you spy the guy-who-doesn't-need-to-diet, jot down his location on a postcard and send it to: Skeleton, PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828. Be sure and include your own name and address.

## Goodies next time for brave skeleton hunters? Yes!

Hattie's Clothesline has consented to offer another one of her fine t-shirts to one of our winners next time. Bonbright Woolens has another tartan-of-your-choice dog collar and The Skeleton Closet will once again provide a valuable gift certificate! *reunions magazine* will once again offer 10 skeleton hunters a subscription to their always interesting magazine! We will add to the prizes a pair of handsome pierced earrings from German Hill Farms...So, we will have FOURTEEN winners!

Find the skinny guy! Send in a postcard! Win!



Find the skeleton and win!

The last of the flock arrives! What fun we've had! Thanks to all!

We've collected sheep for the last year and a half or two years from readers and friends all over the country! It's been such fun and will make our Scottish Weekend 2000 Gala Banquet and Ceilidh very special!

This is the last "sheep column" we'll have...but we do appreciate sheep from Moultrie's Wendy Hayek, Kathy Weibel of Jaffrey, New Hampshire and Helen F. Butler of Vienna, Georgia. Thanks to Elizabeth Stewart from Murrayville, Pennsylvania for her Scotland-made sheep-shearing-sheep!

We thank Barbara McRae Roubie from Chenango Forks, New York, who sent a pair of adorable sheep to add to the flock.

Thank you to Mrs. Carol A. Manifold of Kikersville, Ohio, who added some cuties, too.

Elizabeth Marsh of Chelsea, Michigan sent along adorable sheep to honor her four children, David, Terry, Deneen and Scott! Thank you!

Mrs. W.I. Hare of Prattville, Alabama sent along a box of adorable sheep! Thank you, Mrs. Hare!

Sarah Fryer of Georgetown, Georgia sent along an adorable sheep for our decorations. Thank you!

We love the sheep from Janice Lockard of Stilwell, Oklahoma! Thank you, Mrs. Lockard!

Sheep came to Moultrie from Lois Jimenez of Merced, California who said that Merced has been known as a sheep raising location for many years because many early Basque shepherders settled there! Thank you, Lois!

Thank you to Dorothy Robinson from Salem, New Jersey for her wee sheep!

We received an adorable "I Love Ewe!" sheep from Louise S. Podell of Clarksville, Tennessee. Thank you!

Terry and Pat Trempe of Kingsford, Michigan sent along a sheep for us! Thank you very much.

All the way from Walnut Creek, California, Faye Webb sent along an Irish sheep from Dingle, Ireland! Thank you!

Laura Naomi Williams of Poseyville, Indiana sent an adorable little sheep addressed to "Shepherds and/or Shepherdess" in Moultrie! She had quite an adventure securing the sheep for our flock...and we appreciate all the trouble she went to for us! Thank you!

Thank you again to every single person who spent so much time finding sheep, packaging them and sending them to the library! The best part was how everyone just jumped into the fun spirit of the project!

By the way, after the Scottish Weekend, the "flock" will be put into storage to be used for a Summer Reading program for the kids (Or, is that lambs?) of Moultrie and Colquitt County. Children's Librarian, Norma McKeller, says it will be a real treat to have so many cuddly critters in the Children's Library. See what you did? You provided the theme for our Scottish Weekend 2000 and will help make reading for youngsters more fun than they could possibly know!

Thanks to John V. Cody, Cartoonist extraordinaire!





# COSCA Report

Col. Bob McWilliam



Scotty Gallamore, in the December/January edition of *The Family Tree*, described her day at the Triad Games at Archdale, NC. She mentioned in the latter part of her column that COSCA has wider representation than we have had in the past two decades and that COSCA has coverage in events in New England, the Mid Atlantic the Midwest, the Southeast and a beginning in the Pacific Coast area. The column also mentioned that she sorts and sends out the hundreds and hundreds of inquiry cards to the clans and other societies around the country.

For many years we merely gave the interested person a card with a clan or societies address on it letting them fill it out and mail it. Well human nature being what it is, the cards would be stuck in with the rest of the literature and

pamphlets acquired at the games and after some period of time lost or thrown out. Some six or seven years ago, in an effort to try and stay in front of the clans and family societies seeking members, we decided to have the cards filled out with the name and address of the interested party, together with the name of the clan or society that they were interested in at the COSCA tent. These cards were then mailed to Scotty who would sort them out and mail them to the various organizations.

One assumes in our electronic, no problems, society that most efforts at filling out cards are done under pristine, comfortable conditions, something like filling out a card at the Post Office in clean, dry, air-conditioned comfort with lots of elbow room with a Post Office pen that is always there with lots of ink allowing you

to write a grand comfortable style. Well, most cards arrive at Scotty's legibly written and in good condition. However, some cards could tell some great stories about the happenings at the various games and the adventure and excitement of running a COSCA tent where the driving rain has soaked you and everything in the tent, or where it was so hot and sultry it felt that you had been wrapped head to toe in Saran Wrap, or where snow has almost collapsed your tent and the cold, icy Rocky Mountain blasts come whistling through the grounds and up your kilt getting you abruptly up on your tippy toes much to the surprise of the person that you are talking to.

Generally we know which games have been rained out by the runny ink or pulpy appearance of the card. We also know that all splotches of the ink are not raindrops, but can be drops of perspiration or strangely enough drops from tears of joy.

We have those cards that have stuck to a perspiring forearm that rested on it momentarily, just long enough to smudge the name or address. Cards arrive in all sorts of conditions with evidence of heavy rains and high winds or sweltering temperature with dust and dirt ground into the cards. We also get those cards with coffee cup rings, heel marks, tire tracks, all sorts of food and fruit juice stains, spilled whiskey still carrying a heavy peaty odor leaving one to guess whether it was a Laphroig or Talisker single malt. There are the remains of mosquitoes and ants and squashed bugs and the occasional brown stains of dried blood. We have as yet not gotten any cards with bullet holes and powder burns, but I suppose that will be next.

These cards travel great distances by mail crossing the country from the games in the East and Southeast, South and Midwest and the Pacific coast to Scotty's home in Charlotte, North Carolina and from Scotty's back out to the clans. The travel of the cards back and forth, crisscrossing the county, coming and going in all different directions, is

something akin to a loom with shuttles that not only go across, but from top to bottom and back again weaving an imaginary Highland blanket, making its hopeful sender part of the expanding fabric of the Scottish community.

Culloden and its aftermath helped break the power of the clan chiefs, but it was the Clearances that dismembered the clans and drove their families from the land to the far corners of the world.

The past 30 or so years have been a period of time when the clans and other Scottish Societies in America have seen a considerable growth as the descendants return to the clans their forefathers had to abandon some 190 years ago.

The following is an excerpt from Michael Brander's *The Scottish Highlanders and Their Regiment*. When the second Duke of Sutherland tried to gather volunteers for the Crimean War in 1854 a meeting was held in Golspie and the village was filled with four hundred or more men of Sutherland, who gathered to cheer the Duke politely. He addressed the meeting on the necessity of defeating Russia and the Czar. Beside him on a table as bounty for each recruit, sovereigns were piled in a gleaming heap, but no volunteers were forthcoming.

According to Donald MacLeod's *Gloomy Memories in the Highlands of Scotland*, when the Duke received no reply to his call for volunteers he rose to his feet indignantly and demanded the reason. Eventually one old man moved forward and leaning on his staff addressed him as follows:

"I am sorry for the response your Grace's proposals are meeting here today, so near the spot where your maternal grandmother by giving some forty-eight hours notice marshaled 1,500 men to pick out the 800 she required, but there is a cause for it and a genuine cause and, as your Grace demands to know it, I must tell you as I see none else is inclined in the assembled to do so. These lands are now devoted to rear dumb animals, which your parents considered

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## Glencoe remembered

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### New officers for Prince Henry Sinclair Society of North America

The annual meeting of the Prince Henry Sinclair Society of North America was held in Guysborough on August 22, 1999 with officers elected or reelected as follows: President, D'Elayne Coleman; vice-president, Jamie Grant; Treasurer, Neil Sinclair and Secretary, Richard Coleman.

Directors elected as this meeting were: Lesa Worth, Gail Williams, Myles McPherson, George Grant, Kerry Prosper, Donald Bird, Leslie Ryter, Conrad Byers and Rick Brodie.

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# Embroidery project reflects labor of love

By Lori Glenn  
THE OBSERVER

MOULTRIE — A stitch in time saves nine — make that more than 50 people immortalized by Ruby Goodson's embroidery work-in-progress.

Goodson, 76, came up with the novel idea of tracing the hands of members of her senior church group, Guys and Dolls, on a tablecloth and then embroidering the outlines as well as the names as a testament to her dedication to the group. Guys and Dolls is the senior adult group for Hopewell Baptist Church, currently boasting about 30 members. It began in 1981 under Pastor Randy Berry and has maintained strong participation since its inception. Hopewell's current pastor is the Reverend Frank Green.

Goodson has already invested about two months worth of

work on the project and anticipates finishing the cloth in perhaps two weeks.

"I'd rather do embroidery than take nerve medicine," she joked.

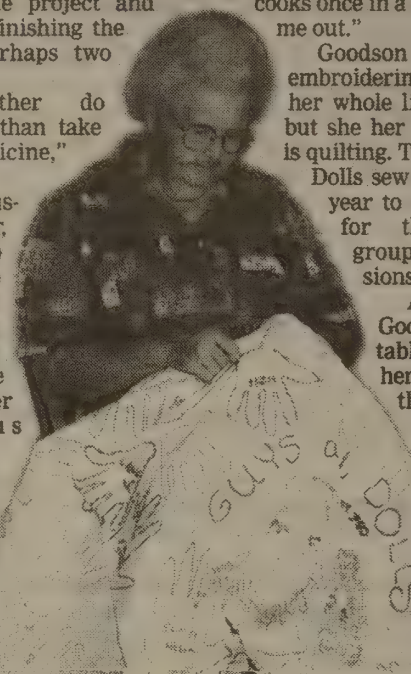
Her husband, Elmer, 81 and also an active Guys and Dolls member, stood by his wife through her laborious handiwork.

"Elmer's really supported me while I'm doing this," she said. "He even

cooks once in a while to help me out."

Goodson has been embroidering off and on her whole life, she said, but she her real passion is quilting. The Guys and Dolls sew quilts every year to raise money for the church group's excursions.

At her home, Goodson has a tablecloth that her guests trace their hands and sign as a memento of their visits. She decided to create one for her group, collecting the hands



prints of members and pastors, past and present. Sadly, 24 of the group have died throughout the years, she said, but their names will be written on the borders of the cloth. She's even obtained handprints from former members and pastors who have since moved away as far as Atlanta and Florida.

Beth Gay, artist and public relations director for the Moultrie Colquitt County Public Library, enhanced the tablecloth further by drawing a senior couple its center. Goodson commissioned the work with a delicious cake, said Gay.

Gay also offered to display the cloth at the library for a few weeks before it returns to the church to be used at special functions, said Goodson.

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## My riding mower broke and I thought I had problems...or Cutting Grass Before Lawn Mowers Were Invented

Cutting the Grass Before the invention of the lawnmower, grass was cut by teams of men using scythes. Some of these teams were so skilled that they could cut the grass to bowling green standard.

Young men could not join these teams until they were fully grown. The scythes were made especially for each person allowing him to work for hours without bending at all. They became so used to a particular movement that if the grass needed to be cut either shorter or longer they did not change their swings but instead changed to thicker or thinner soles on their shoes!

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It is 34 printed pages. The publication lists by state and then by type of record with the address to write for each type of document - as well as the cost of each copy and other pertinent information or restrictions.

[lcweb.loc.gov/coll/nucmc/nucmc.html](http://lcweb.loc.gov/coll/nucmc/nucmc.html) which indexes millions of unpublished documents and contains much valuable genealogical information.

## National Archives Building in Washington to undergo renovations

The National Archives Building in Washington, DC will undergo a major renovation beginning in February 2000. A new genealogy and family history center and a significant improvement in the microfilm reading room, updated displays and exhibits of the Declaration of Independence, the US Constitution, the Bill of Rights and millions of other historically valuable documents are some of the improvements planned.

The research side of the building, located on Pennsylvania Avenue between 7th and 9th Streets Northwest, will remain open for business throughout the renovations. The exhibition side on Constitution Avenue will close for renovation on July 5, 2001 and will not reopen until 2003.

## NARA offers workshops in 2000

The National Archives and Records Administration, Southeast Region, announces its genealogical workshop schedule for 2000. The workshops will all be held at the NARA, SE Region at 1557 St. Joseph Avenue, East Point, GA 30344.

The first workshop will be held February 12, 2000 from 9 AM until noon and will provide an intensive overview of regional resources available for genealogical research, including Federal Census schedules, military records, land records, World War I draft registrations, compiled service indexes, passenger lists, immigration and naturalization records, Federal court records, ethnic records and unique Federal records such as

## TVA Cemetery records.

Participants will enjoy a "hands-on tour" of NARA genealogical resources and other genealogical resources available on the World Wide Web. The sessions include a formal workshop and post-classroom research in the Genealogical Research Room. The Saturday sessions are \$25 per person or \$15 per person for members of The Friends, National Archives, Southeast Region.

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## Library of Congress website offers much information

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Go to <<http://lcweb.loc.gov/rn.genealogy/>>

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## Congress approves FY2000 budget for NARA

If the President signs the \$231,066,000 appropriations bill approved by Congress, it will enable NARA to carry forward major initiatives. For example:

- \* Prepare for the renovation of the 63 year-old original National Archives building;
- \* Develop a new declassification review and redaction system;
- \* Undertake preservation work on veterans' records and improved processes for meeting veterans' records requests;
- \* Expand records management assistance from NARA to federal agencies;
- \* Advance research and development on technologies for enabling NARA to preserve and provide public access to records in electronic form.

If you would like complete information on this subject, please go to <[www.ancestry.com/dailynews/dailynews.htm](http://www.ancestry.com/dailynews/dailynews.htm)>



# A LOOK AT CENSUS RECORDS

Merle Baker, Trustee, Odom Library

As April 1, 2000 arrives for the taking of the census in the United States, let's look at the history of the census.

We have always been a counting nation.

We talk about the gross national product, the industrial output, consumer spending, energy consumption, et cetera.

We are hearing this year about how important the census is and what it means to count all the people.

Since the beginning of recorded history, kings have numbered their subjects in order to count them or to tax them. In England's American colonies, ministers and elders kept church records which provided a record of the elect and the damned. An increase in population was taken in New England as a sign of God's favor toward the Puritan church. Some of the colonial governors were ordered from time to time to take counts for the Board of Trade in England.

The American people were very suspicious; therefore they were evasive and

uncooperative. So, our census as it is, came about as a result of compromise by the founding fathers.

The Articles of Confederation were weak. The Congress could not tax. So, after the Constitutional Convention in 1787, the membership in the House of Representatives along with taxation was to be based on population. The delegates agreed for a census to be taken within three years and every ten years after the initial census, according to Article I, Section 2.

On March 1, 1790, Congress approved the law, and it was carried out by the United States marshals with assistants of their choice under the supervision of the Secretary of State, Thomas Jefferson. There were no standardized questionnaires, or schedules, as they are called today. The assistants who were paid a pittance had to provide their own pens and paper.

For example the Marshall got \$250 for taking census in Georgia. Poor transportation, uncertain boundaries, scattered

population, suspicious people, all caused problems. The 1790 census took 18 months to complete. They counted 3,929,214 people, and had expected 4 million. It cost \$44,377.28.

Only 6 simple questions were asked. The name of the head of the family, number of persons in each household of the following description: free white males of 16 years and upward; free white males under 16 years of age; free white females including heads of household; all other free persons; and slaves. This included Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont.

Schedules for Delaware, Georgia, Kentucky, New Jersey, Tennessee (southwest territory), and Virginia are missing.

In North Carolina the counties of Granville, Caswell, and Orange are missing. Delaware and Kentucky have reconstructed their census from local and state tax list. Virginia

did, but it includes only 39 of the 80 counties that were enumerated. Georgia, New Jersey, and Tennessee reconstituted their census from various sources, but they are incomplete.

The 1790 census took 18 months to complete. The earliest enumeration began first Monday in August 1790. The headcount was 3,929,214 Americans. They had expected 4 million.

So, immediately they were concerned about the political

effect abroad. President Washington explained the problem and gave assurance that "our real numbers will exceed, greatly, the official returns."

Early American censuses were posted publicly, in order to make corrections or additions until 1850.

The census of 1800 said there were 5,308,483 in the United States. It cost \$66,109.04. This census gave the county, parish, township, town or city.

This was not done in 1790. Name of head of household, free white males and females, under 10, 10 and under 16, 16 and under 26, 26 and under 45, 45 and up, number of all other

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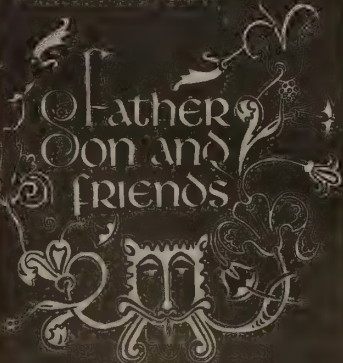
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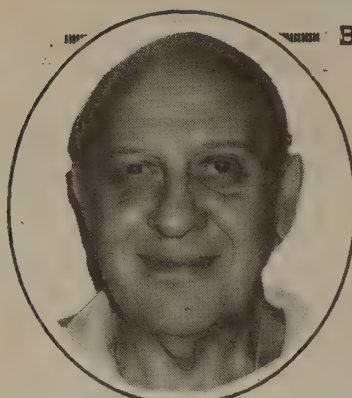
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## La Genealogia Italiana - Italian Pedigree



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Italian American genealogy is reported to be the fastest growing segment of America's fascination with their heritage. Why is this? No one knows for sure. But is the observation true? Probably. When one considers the fact that the Italian emigrants were the last major European ethnic group to make the relocation decision, it follows that their descendants would be the last to accept the challenge to follow their trail.

Tracking Italian ancestors is in some ways no different than pursuing the pathways created by other emigrant groups. Where there are differences, they are extremely profound. Let's be candid and state that for the Italian genealogist, some aspects of their research will be...challenging. Let's explore a few examples.

If you've already tackled the task head on, you are keenly aware that Italian surnames were frequently altered. This process occurred sometimes at the point of disembarkation, but it also occurred when the emigrant began to assimilate into American society. So, what you may discover, is both an involuntary or a voluntary surname change.

To pursue this phenomenon a bit further, immigration officials misread or misunderstood the musical Italian surname. The result was a recording of what was heard, rather than what really was. We can call this involuntary alteration. The second event, voluntary alteration, came about from the experience of discrimination. Yes, Italians were severely treated a century ago, for no valid reason other than their nationality. It became easier for the newcomer to change

than to suffer. Thus Guiseppe Verde became Joseph Green. While this was a drastic step, most new arrivals merely dropped the vowel or vowels from their surname ending, thus Barone become Baron. In other cases, Russo became Ross, and Milano became Miller.

In addition to the surname dilemma, Italian genealogists also face a situation few, if any other genealogists will encounter, that is, the "birds of paradise" syndrome. Plainly speaking, no ethnic group traveled the Atlantic back and forth more frequently than the Italians. Were they that impatient? No, of course not. They couldn't make up their minds where they wished to be, America or Italy. Call it a serious case of indecision. This restlessness can cause the researcher fits. While it is true that several trips across the ocean are easier to track down than one, unless the genealogist knows in advance that grandpa did this it may come as a complete surprise when trying to explain huge gaps in nonno's life and not knowing why.

While on the subject of immigration, the Italian researcher should be aware that

Italian women always traveled with their maiden names, when traveling alone or with their children. If one did not know this beforehand, years could be spent pursuing an ancestor who would never be found.

When your research takes you to the Old Country, another challenge rises up to meet you...ancestral towns. There are an unlimited number of cases where the name of the ancestral commune is found in several locales in Italy. Unless the researcher knows the province and region, one's effort could be in vain. Who would enjoy spending time and funds pursuing the wrong town of San Giorgio?

Finally, be knowledgeable before you begin scaling that ancestral tree. Obtain your facts...do your homework...prepare in advance. The pursuit of Italian genealogy can and should be an exciting and rewarding experience. Make it so.

Buona fortuna!

### Something to make you think...and think...a lot....

Ted Klein, Lake Travis, Texas <tedklein@prodigy.com> wrote, "About 10 years ago, I attended a Mexican funeral at the famous old San Fernando Cathedral in San Antonio, Texas. The priest offered the following story:

"We have a tradition in Mexico that each person dies three times. First, there is the moment in which the body stops functioning. Second, there is the time that the remains are consigned to the grave. Third, there is that moment, sometimes in the future, in which the person's name is spoken for the last time. Then, the person is really gone."

Several years later, I got into genealogy and realized that persons who preserve the memories of persons from their own familial past, are preventing that third death."

Wow. I think about, and talk about, my grannie each day...It's wonderful to think, in that small way, I keep a little of her here with me!

Thanks to David W. Dole

for passing along these thoughts:

My face in the mirror isn't wrinkled or drawn.  
My house isn't dirty; the cobwebs are gone.  
My garden looks lovely; and so does my lawn.  
I think I might never put my glasses back on!

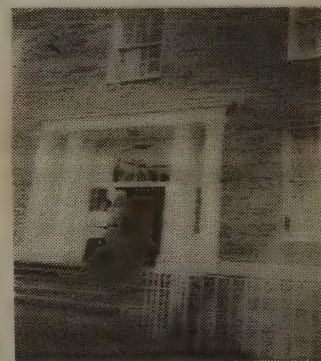


### Fairlie House, Kilmarnock, Scotland Finished 1781-1783 & Refurbished in 1990s

Elizabeth L. Nichols\*\*

Scottish descendant Kermit Nichols and his wife Lois recently spent some time in Ayr, Scotland. This area had a special interest for Kermit because his ancestors were from there.

While there, Kermit and Lois visited a house that was in the process of being re-furbished. The house was designed by one of the most prominent architects in Scotland, Robert Adams. The father of Robert Burns is said to have been the gardener at this house. In talking to Eric Montgomerie Mobey, the owner, Kermit was able to make an interesting connection. In a letter written by Francis Harvie, son of Andrew and Janet Speir (Spare) Harvie to his brother John Harvie (1730-1822) in Nova Scotia (ancestor to Kermit), Francis stated—



"Irviem, March 23, 1782 Kermit Nichols and Lois,  
To John Harvie at Newport Ayr, Scotland at Fairlie House.  
near Halifax

... "Th's troublesm time is likely to stop all tread hear but I have reason to be thankful that I have as much ado as any of this place. I have a gentleman's house to do in Dendonald, Mr Alexander Farlie of Farlie, Esq., which will take three thousand pounds sterling to finish it and I wrought [worked?] the last year at it and this year and it will serve the next year too. I have contracted for the finishing of the hous; it is thought to be the best hous in this country. I have 8 men and 2 sawyers employed at present..."

Signed "your deare and efexonet brother, Francis Harvie"\*

Background: James Harvie (abt 1710-1792) and his wife Margaret Boyle "of Dogartland" and two sons James Jr and Archibald, and a daughter Margaret, along with a nephew John (son of Andrew Harvie and Janet Speir /Spare) "of Highlees" emigrated from Dalry, Ayr, Scotland, sometime before 1760 to Rhode Island, USA. From there, in 1760, they went to Hants County, Nova Scotia, Canada (on the sloop Sally), where they made their home. James Jr (1746-abt 1784) and his cousin John Harvie (1730-1822) who both migrated, both became ancestors to Kermit Nichols.

(\*From a transcribed copy of the letter, published about about 1920 by McLeod Harvey, Ph. D., D. D. of Washington, DC, with the assistance of Dr. Basil Harvey of Chicago University and Andrew Harvey of Newport, Nova Scotia—all descendants of these Scottish Harvies. Original spellings retained.)

\*\*This article written by Elizabeth L. Nichols, AG, sister to Kermit above, and also a descendant of the Harvie family of Dalry, Ayrshire, Scotland.



## A letter from your editor...

**"I was abandoned. Why should I do genealogy?"**

During the holidays I received a letter from a lady who said she didn't understand the fascination with genealogy because she had been abandoned at birth and didn't know anything about her own family.

I wonder if she has tried...because somebody knows "from whence she came."

I wonder if she has written queries or published classified ads in the city where she was found.

I wonder if she has thought about the medical implications of not knowing about her family.

The lady implied that it was mostly an "ego thing" to do genealogy so that you may belong to "this or that fancy organization."

Genealogists know that it is just not possible for anyone to have a family lineage that is all sugar and spice. In only 20 generations you have well over a million ancestors...so, without exception, each and every one of us have kings and queens and fancy folk perching in the branches of our "tree." We also have some families that ran afoul of the law or who managed to get in scrapes and adventures of the infamous nature, so there are a few bad apples and maybe a few nuts up there too.

I personally don't think it's as much of an ego thing as it is a curiosity thing.

I hope this lady has written down her own family history with medical details and information about her children. I hope this lady has done genealogy on her husband's family so that her children will know as much as they can about their medical background and their cultural background as well.

Of course, you don't have to know your family history. Of course, we each create our own chapter in the books of our family tree.

It's just that knowing something can enrich our lives.

In a way, it would wonderful to be able to BEGIN a family history. What a challenge that would be in life, to know that you are the first ancestor that your descendants centuries into the future will know about. It would inspire, I think, a person to great things.

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I thank you...and so do all of our readers.

Love, Beth



Your editor, Beth Gay, DCTJ, FSA Scot

**Aye, an' it's never "Bobbie!"**

The Bagpiper, publication of the St. Andrew's Society of the Eastern Shore (PO Box 1364, Easton, MD 21601-1364) has published an article entitled "Never Bobbie." The article says...

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Some Scots refer to him as "Rabbie" and that is said by purists to be just as wrong as using "Bobbie." By ancient tradition in Burns' native county of Ayrshire, the name "Rabbie" was used only for simpletons and Robert Burns was certainly no simpleton, though at times he confessed to having been a fool.

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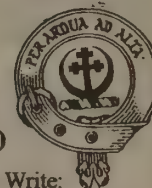
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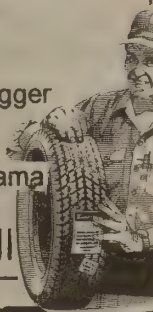
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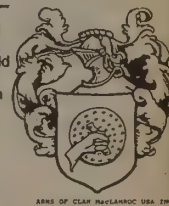
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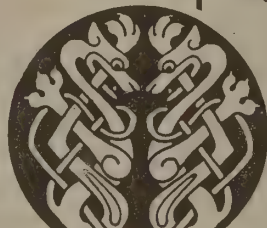
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Lord Mackay, also known  
as Lord High Chancellor of  
Great Britain was born in  
1927, the son of a railroad man  
and keen supporter of the Free  
Presbyterian Church. He  
graduated from St. Andrew's  
University and Edinburgh Uni-  
versity (MA) and entered law.  
Lord Mackay served as Sher-  
iff Principal of Renfrew and  
Argyll, 1972-74, and in 1976  
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## Flowers of the Forest

**Ronald Pritchard**, 60, of Winston-Salem, North Carolina died last November 14.

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**Clif Spurlock**, a past Chism Family Association President, died last August 20, following a brief illness.

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**Robert F. MacPherson** died last November 20 in Castro Valley, California. He was Assistant Treasurer of Clan Macpherson, United States Branch and also represented the Macpherson Clan at many Scottish Games in northern California.

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Clan Hunter is sad to remember members who have become *Flowers of the Forest*.

**Harry E. Hunter** of Thomaston, Connecticut, died in May 1999 at the age of 91 years. **Donald S. Rowles** of Oneonta, New York died in November 1998. **Ellen Cronkite** of Eugene, Oregon has passed away. **Don L. Hunter** of West Valley City, Utah died in April 1998 leaving a wife, Aleen S. Hunter and four children, JoAnn, Craig, Steven and Neal. **Phillip Lamar Hunter** of Bedford, Virginia died recently, leaving his father, J.D. Hunter and a brother, Jeffrey Hunter, as well as his cousin, Raymond E. Hunter. **Sidney Hunter** of LaVerne, California, a long-time member of Clan Hunter, died in 1998.

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**David A. Avant, Jr.**, 80, died January 22, 2000 in Tallahassee, Florida. He was a southern historian who was vice president of the Florida State Genealogical Society, regional representative of the National Genealogical Society and Trustee of the New England Historic and Genealogical Society. In 1998 he was selected as the Genealogical Scholar of the Year by the Florida State Genealogical Society. Among many, many offices held, he was president of the Florida State Archives Association and the Tallahassee Genealogical Society.

He was, among a host of honors from many organizations, honored by the Rotary Club as a Paul Harris Fellow.

He played the speaking role

of Dr. John Gorrie in the BBC-TV documentary *Connections*.

He was an author and an artist and won the first place gold award from the Florida Public Relations Association for the best public relations and advertising program for financial institutions in Florida.

Since 1976 he amused himself by annually revising his obituary because he did not wish his family to be disturbed or for the facts to be incorrect. (We are so sorry, but *The Family Tree* simply doesn't have room for the full five page document. If you would like a copy of the complete obituary, please send SASE with a request.)

**David A. Avant, Jr.**, will be remembered by intimate friends as a man who loved life, his family, his friends, his country and God to the fullest.

He is survived by his wife, Dr. Betty Jo Troeger, a son, David A. Avant, III, a brother George Davis Avant, all of Tallahassee; a stepson, Rev. Joe John Clifford and a stepgrandson, John Thomas Clifford of Stockbridge, Georgia; a sister, Mrs. J. Morgan McJunkin of Lake Placid, Florida and nieces and nephews.

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**James Dickinson Shaw**, Clan Shaw's beloved Highlander, was laid to rest last October 9 at Park lawn Cemetery near Silver Spring, Maryland. Pallbearers were Nick Mackintosh, Bob Hardy, Kevin Gillespie and George Shaw. Honorary pallbearer was Harry Prior. All pallbearers were kilted for the service.

*Amazing Grace* was played by a piper atop the hill and Jim's interest in things Scottish, which were many, were noted by the presiding minister.

Close friend George Shaw gave Jim's wife, Betty, a small swatch of Shaw ancient tartan pinned to a Clan Shaw badge which held a sprig of wild boxwood, emblematic of his heritage. This token was placed in Jim's vest pocket by Betty and George's wife, Ann. The pallbearers either wore a sprig of boxwood in their bonnets or displayed it otherwise. Rod Clark sported the Pennsylvania Whortleberry.

There was a reception afterwards at Jim and Betty's home where Jim was fondly remembered for his loyalty, his sensitivity, his story telling, his keen wit, his ample ability and his love for his fellow man.

Also in attendance at the funeral was the President of the Clan Shaw Society, Meredith Shaw.

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**Simon Ramsay, KT, GCVO, GBE, MC, 16<sup>th</sup> Earl of Dalhousie**, born 17 October 1914, died July 15, 1999. Simon Ramsay was the second son of the 14<sup>th</sup> Earl of Dalhousie and was thus born into two of Scotland's oldest and most distinguished families.

Simon's mother, Lady Mary Heathcote-Drummond-Willoughby, was the youngest daughter of the 1st Earl of Ancaster, whose Scottish home was at Drummond Castle, Crieff, whose ancestors, Margaret and Anabella Drummond, had both married Scottish kings.

There were other royal connections.

In 1919, his uncle, Admiral the Hon. Sir Alexander Ramsay, had married Princess Elizabeth Connaught, granddaughter of Queen Victoria.

During World War II he became company commander of the 7th Battalion in North Africa. In 1943 he was wounded by machine gun fire at Corrandini and was made a prisoner of war in Italy, but later escaped. He was awarded the MC in 1944.

Leaving the army and returning to Scotland in 1945, he stood as a Conservative and Unionist candidate for the parliamentary seat of Forfarshire and was elected, serving as a Conservative Whip from 1946-1948. However, his political career ended in 1950 when the constituency boundaries were reorganized and his

unmarried brother, the 15<sup>th</sup> Earl of Dalhousie, died at the age of 45, with Simon his heir.

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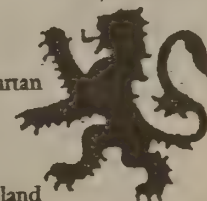
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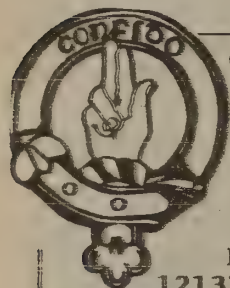
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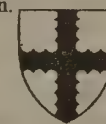
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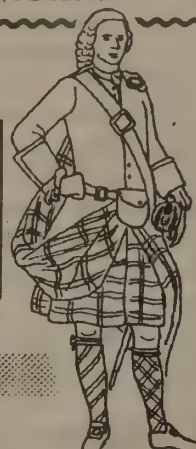
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**ROBERTSON/ROBISON, ROBERT**: My grandfather was born in North Carolina, parents/family unknown, county/town unknown. We were told he was orphaned at four years of age. **ROBERT** and **CATHERINE A. GABER**, married 4 September 1859, Douglas Co., Illinois. Six sons were born in Illinois and in Indiana before the family settled in Southeastern Colorado, where **ROBERT** died 8 April 1905 with burial in Holly (Prowers County) Cemetery. The name had been **ROBERTSON** until about 1864 when the family was in Vigo County, Indiana. Please write **Mabel I. Robison**, 2235 Juntura Court South, Salem, OR 97302-2222. Call 503-589-9567.

Seeking information about four sisters: **CONSTANCE, HELEN, CATHERINE, BETTY LAWSON** born in Hamilton, Ontario, in the early 1900s. Parents were **JACK and ANNIE LAWSON**. Grandparents were **ABRAHAM LAWSON and MARY McMENEMY**. Please write to **Doris Smith**, 369A Paseo Quinta, Green Valley, AZ 85614. You might wish to email: <artbyjoyce@webtv.net>

Seeking information on my **McKINNON** family. Early 1900s, it became **MackINNON**. My father was **DONALD ALPIN McKINNON** was born in 1886. My earliest known ancestor was **JOHN McKINNON** who married **CHRISTINA**. They had five children: **MALCOLM, ANN, DONALD, JOHN and MARY**. **MARY** was born in Masonville, New York. The family left in 1819 for Canada. Any information would be appreciated. Please write **Margaret Mackinnon**, 924 Ridge Crest Road, Macon, GA 31204.

## The Lone Ranger is dead!

Patricia A. Kemper,  
Editor

Foothills Genealogical Society Newsletter

The Lone Ranger is dead!

Well, truthfully, the Lone Ranger will never die. However, Clayton Moore, whose alter ego the Lone Ranger became, passed away on Tuesday, 28 December 1999 at the age of 85.

No, Moore was not a relative. He was just my childhood hero. His theme, *The William Tell Overture*, birthed my love of classical music. His faithful Indian companion, Tonto, taught me tolerance for cultures not my own. And, Silver - his "fiery horse with the speed of light" - was the horse I always wanted, but never got.

The Lone Ranger and Tonto brought law and order throughout the American West and made my little part of the world a safer place in the process. Without a doubt, I knew I would always want to wear "a white hat."

The Lone Ranger Creed - according to Clayton Moore - is in part a prayer and in part a set of beliefs - inspiring resolutions for a new century and a new millennium. And, so, I offer them here - restated as my hope for the year 2000 and for all the years to come.

### The Lone Ranger Creed

To have a friend, a man must be one.

All men are created equal. Everyone has within himself the power to make this a better world.

God put the firewood there, but every man must gather and light it himself.

Be prepared physically, mentally and morally to fight when necessary for that which is right.

A man should make the most of what equipment he has.

This government, of the people, by the people, for the people, shall live always.

Sooner or later, somewhere, somehow, we must settle with the world and make payment for that which we have taken.

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free persons, except Indians not taxed, number of slaves. The census taker paid 1\$ for every 100 in county district, in a city it could be 1\$ for 50.

The 1800 census included the number of Indians who were taxed.

Extant schedules for 14 states are microfilmed. They are arranged alphabetically by state or territory, thereunder by county, and in some cases by town or village. Entries are usually in the order of enumeration.

In 1810 the census added an inventory of manufactures to measure the industrial capacity of the country and its ability to fight. The census takers were paid from 500\$ to 50\$. The total number of people were 7, 239, 881 and the cost was \$178,444.67. And, \$40,000 of this was for manufacturing statistics. Extant schedules for 16 states and territories faced with the possibility of war with Great Britain. Congress added in 1810 an inventory of the manufacturers to measure the industrial capacity of the country and its ability to fight or compete for new markets. Information was strictly statistical in nature.

The marshals and their assistants still carried it out.

In 1810 in North Carolina the counties of Craven, Greene, New Hanover, and Wake counties are missing.

The first national census available for Georgia is in 1820. The U.S. had a population of 9,633,822. This census cost \$208,525.99. In 1820 the census gave the number of aliens not naturalized.

For the first time, it also gave the number of the population engaged in agriculture, commerce, and manufacturing.

From 1830 through 1840, there were 2 copies of the census, one was sent to the clerk of District Court and 1 sent to Washington.

In 1830 the census taker took the population only, on a printed schedule of uniform size- 18 inches wide and 15 inches long with 28 families to a page. The categories were under age 10, 10-24, 24-36, 36-55, 55-100. For slaves they counted under 14, 14 and under 25, 25 and upward. They counted the deaf, dumb, and blind, white persons, and the number of aliens not naturalized. The cost was

\$378,545.13. The count included 5,318 people on ships.

In 1840 the census was very similar to 1830. There were 17,069,453 people counted which included 6,100 on ships. It cost \$833,370.95. In 1840 more questions aimed at the resources of the nation were asked.

During this time the information collected was open to the public. By 1840 they were criticizing it for the errors.

From 1850 through 1880 there were 3 copies of the census, one went to the county clerk of court, one to the Secretary of the State within the state, and one to Washington.

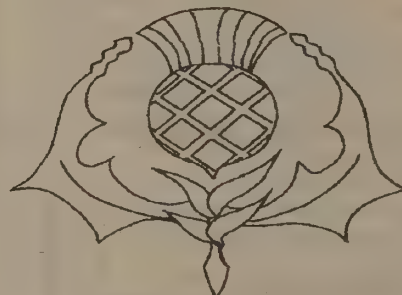
So, in 1850 the law asked for new data and it was to be sent to Washington to be centrally tabulated there. Each person was to be named. Some say this is the most important change in census history.

In 1850 there were six schedules; one, free inhabitants, two, slave, three, mortality for during the year ending June 1, 1850, it gave cause of death, free or slave, married or widowed, profession, occupation, month of death, cause of death, number of days ill, remarks, four, agricultural, five, industrial, and six, social census.

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is 23, 191,876. In 1860 64 marshals took the census. There was the population census, agricultural, and social. There was nothing of particular importance about the eighth census in 1860.

Indians in 1860 and 1870 living in non-Indian households were counted. Those Indians not taxed were not counted. From 1885 to 1940 Indian censuses- 692 rolls, were taken by Indian agents.

The ninth census in 1870 suffered from the disruptions of the Civil War. This was the first census that contained no questions about slaves. Spoilsmen controlled the work of taking the census in 1870. The S. marshals looked upon the census as an opportunity to dislodge the offices to deserving favorites, each of whom was instructed to provide himself with a secure portable stand, good ink, and sufficient numbers of pens.

The entire force of enumerators were taken from the publican party, including the blacks who could not read or write. The Superintendent of the Census, Francis M. Walker, had no control over the marshals or the quality of their work.

Newspapers criticized this census.

By 1880 marshals were replaced by civilian supervisors, pay was better, confidential information was protected by law, the census was more accurate, and for the first time women appeared, 200 of them, among 50,000 census takers.

The censuses of 1880 and 90 used more than two hundred schedules. Soundex is for 1880 of families with children 10 years or younger. To search for a particular name, you must first work out the code number for the surname of the individual. Example: Baker will be b260. The 1900 and 1910 census has a soundex for all individuals enumerated.

In 1890 the census was burned in 1921 fire.

The 1890 census tried to include all Indians for the first time.

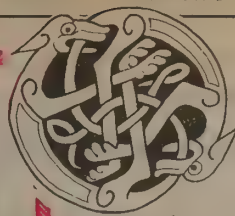
In 1900 the census was shorter. It was considered as a good census. It is the first time it gives the birth month and year, the number of children the wife has had, including the number living, as well as the age. The 1900 census consisted of 7 schedules. One population schedule for Native Americans and one for all other residents. Other schedules were agriculture, manufacturing, mortality, and crime. They were destroyed.

A permanent bureau of the census was established in 1902, and the 1910 census was the first census taken by this organization. Also, it was the first time that prospective census employees were given open competitive examinations administered nationwide. Questions asked in 1910 were very similar to those asked in 1900. More attention was given to occupation, trade, or profession, and the general nature of the industry, business, or establishment.


Also, there was an entry indicated whether the individual was an employee or employer. Survivors of the union or confederate army or navy were noted. The forms used to survey Indians also recorded the tribe and/or band. The schedules for 1910 are 1,784 rolls.

In 1992 the 1920 census became available to the public. We look forward to the 1930 census becoming available.

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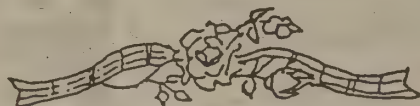
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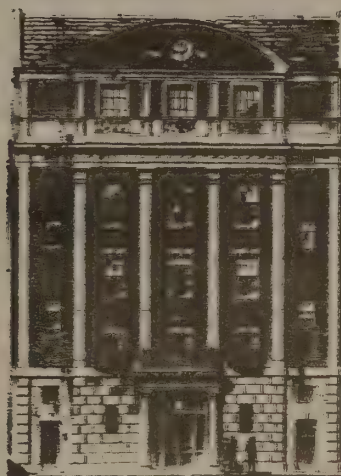
or more regiments. If you read about a corps you know it was two or more divisions and an army was two or more corps. When you find "enlistment" in

your ancestor's papers, you know that this is the date your soldier joined the state regiment. The muster date is after training, the date the unit was

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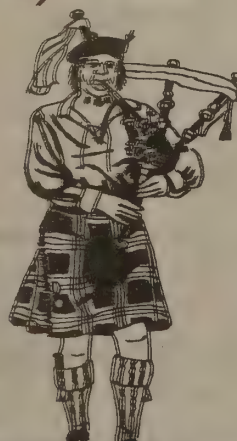
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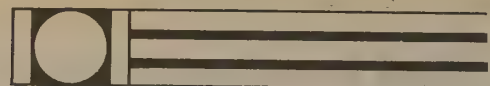
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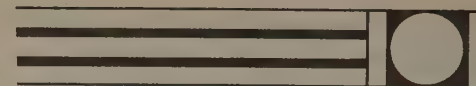
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**Dave Barrie**, former trea-

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He had undergone a heart bypass operation in the spring, but developed lung problems later in the year.

He leaves a widow, Ann, and a son and daughter.

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Last November 24, **Jack Smith**, member of Lt. Hugh McKay Post #7 of the Scottish-American Military Society, died at his home. He was treasurer of the Coastal Scottish Heritage Society. SAMS members, Jim Vejar, George Murdock, Bob Lytle, Ray

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He is survived by his wife, Barbara, two sons and daughters-in-law and five grandchildren.

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**Allan D. Chisholm, Jr.**, 84, of Concord, New Hampshire, died last July 30. He was the husband of Elizabeth Baggerson Chisholm. He was

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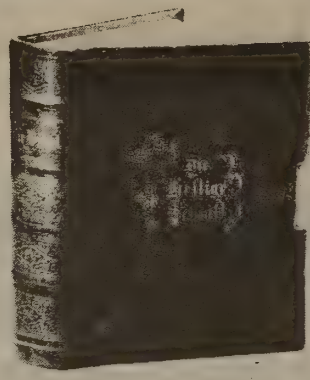
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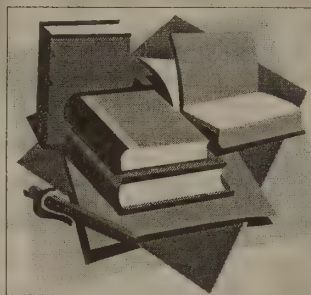
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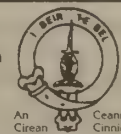
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If I ever disappear, look for me in Washington State! Postage Heroes live there too! Thanks to: John Winskie, Janet Martin, Harry Murdock, Martha Matthews, Juanita Price, Shirley Weber, Donald K. McKee, John B. Willite, Val & Merna Hixon, Jane Gattavare, Barbara Pearson, Wm D. C. Bunnette, LTCR Steve Craig, Nancy Stewart Denton, Mrs. Calvin Arnold, Mrs. Leslie Stevenson, James C. Read, M/M Russell F. Reed, Dan & Dorothy Jones, Bob & Myrna Logan, Darrel McMurphy, Susan Saul, Jim Mack, Raymond L. Morehead, James A. Hopper and Michele Heiderer.

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From British Columbia, Canada we had Postage Hero help from Christine E. Pulliam. Thank you!

And, from Scotland comes Postage Hero help from longtime friend, Colin Gompertz. Thank you!

If you wish to make a Postage Hero contribution, just mail a check (Made to *The Family Tree*) to: PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828. Any amount is welcome, but we ask that you send at least \$6.00 if you can.

*I am finishing this on January 18, so if your contribution was received after this date, we will enthusiastically thank you in the next issue. Thanks to LaRue Norris and Beth Alligood for their help in compiling our Postage Hero column!*

### Sad day at Loch Prado

Al Farquharson writes, "You may heard of the wind damage to the Highland Games at Chino, California on October 16, 17, 1999. Very sad. The vendors were especially hard hit with books, CDs, broken cups, inventory, blown all over.

Mr. Farquharson also sent photographs of the disaster. (shown below)

Mr. Farquharson also sent along photographs of his seal point Siamese buddy. Here's Al and friend.

## The 1999 Family Tree Newsletter Contest is now open! Enter today

The 1999 *Family Tree* Newsletter Contest is open now and accepting entries through 1 March 2000.

The contest has grown to be one of the largest publication contests in the country and offers prizes in many categories for all kinds of publications, from the simplest to the most elaborate.

Just some of the categories in the contest are genealogical societies, historical societies, family surname groups, Scottish Clans, Scottish groups other than Clans, other ethnicities and as many more categories as there are entries.

After the entries are divided into categories, they are again divided into groups such as magazines, newsletters, newspapers and then are divided again into segments such as printed, photocopied, etc. Every effort is made so that like publications are judged with like publications.

The overall winners are chosen according to which publication has the highest scores of all. We've had, in the past, winners from large groups that were elaborately done and from small family surname societies whose publications were "homemade."

If you would like to submit

your publication for the contest simply send two issues (different issues, please) to: Newsletter Contest, *The Family Tree*, PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828. The entry fee is \$25.00. (This is the only fund-raiser for *The Family Tree* travel fund.)

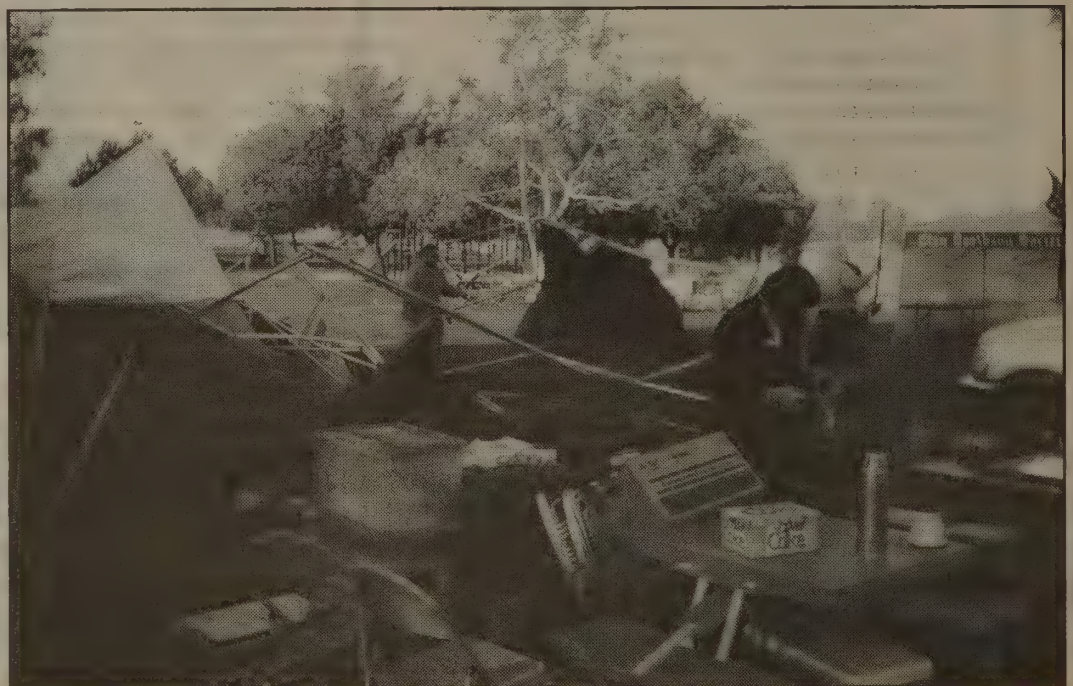
Please include editor's name, address, phone number and the number of publications produced, plus the \$25.00 entry fee when you send your entry.

Overall Grand Prize winners receive an engraved silver Revere bowl plus a certificate. The top Grand Prize winner also receives a banner suitable for display at festivals, meetings, games, etc. Category first place winners receive a blue ribbon plus a certificate. (Last year we had 23 category first places!) 2nd through Honorary Mention winners receive certificates.

All entries receive their judges score sheets which usually contain ideas and constructive criticisms - as well as suggestions for improvement - and words of encouragement and praise.

Deadline for entries is 1 March 2000. Winners will be announced in the June/July issue of *The Family Tree*.

## Loch Prado Games hit by terrible weather





### Tips for researching African-American ancestors

African-Americans, regardless of whether their ancestors were free or slave, are usually able to trace their ancestry back to the end of the Civil War without too much difficulty using the same sources white Americans use.

Pre-Emancipation slaves were considered the personal property of their owners and are identified by the plantation records. Research then focuses upon the owner's family and the records it produced as slave owners, as well as on the slave family itself. Searching for slave ancestors always requires a thorough investigation of the white slave-owning family in all public and historical records.

The census records of 1870 are the first to list blacks by name. In 1850 and 1860 slave statistics were gathered, but did not list slaves by name, just tallied and are useful as circumstantial evidence that a slave of a certain age and sex was the property of a particular owner. Free blacks and their families' names were included in 1850 and 1860.

Military records from the Revolutionary War are available. Birth records are available as the slave owner needed to protect his personal property by officially recording it. If you know the birthdate, you can search the birth records for a male or female slave born on that date and an owner/plantation name will be given. Bills of sale will be found among land records, estate records or miscellaneous county records. Slave trade manifests are available at the National Archives, Washington, DC. You may also write to the Registry of American Black Ancestry, Box 417, Salt Lake City, UT 84110.

With thanks to *Diggin' for Davises*, 10512 Lower Azusa Road, PMB 162, El Monte, CA 91731-1209. Call 626-309-0764. Queries and stories of Davis families which immigrated to and/or lived in the United States of America are solicited. Email:

<rdietz@greenheart.com>

### Remember the National Library of Scotland!

Dr. Keven Halliwell, Curator, US & Commonwealth Collections at the National Library of Scotland, writes: The National Library of Scotland, as part of its collection development policy, attempts to acquire publications from all over the world relating to Scottish heritage and the present day activities of those of Scottish heritage. We are interested in acquiring these publications for our archives, and for the many readers who come to the library to research family history, genealogy and the activities of Scots abroad.

For this reason, we try to acquire newsletters and journals of US Clan societies and any other Scottish-American associations, as well as any other printed material relating to Scottish-Americans, however ephemeral.

Because our budget for purchases and subscriptions is limited, and there are so many associations, we are reliant on the generosity of our Scottish-American friends.

I would like to ask the readers of this journal if they might be willing to add my name to any mailing lists for newsletters or journals, or donated any other printed material of Scottish-American interest, so that we can make the collections of the National Library of Scotland a full and representative archive relating to Scottish-American heritage.

Thank you in advance for your generosity. Please forward any material to: Dr. Kevin Halliwell, Curator, US & Commonwealth Collections, National Library of Scotland, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh, Scotland EH1 1EW.

## California's First Surgeon

by Carla Kallen in *Somos Primos*

The first trained doctor in California was Don Pedro Prat, a surgeon in the Spanish Royal Navy.

In 1769, he was among those who boarded the ship *San Carlos*, "Mayflower of the West," for its famous voyage from La Paz to San Diego. The journey was difficult and dangerous.

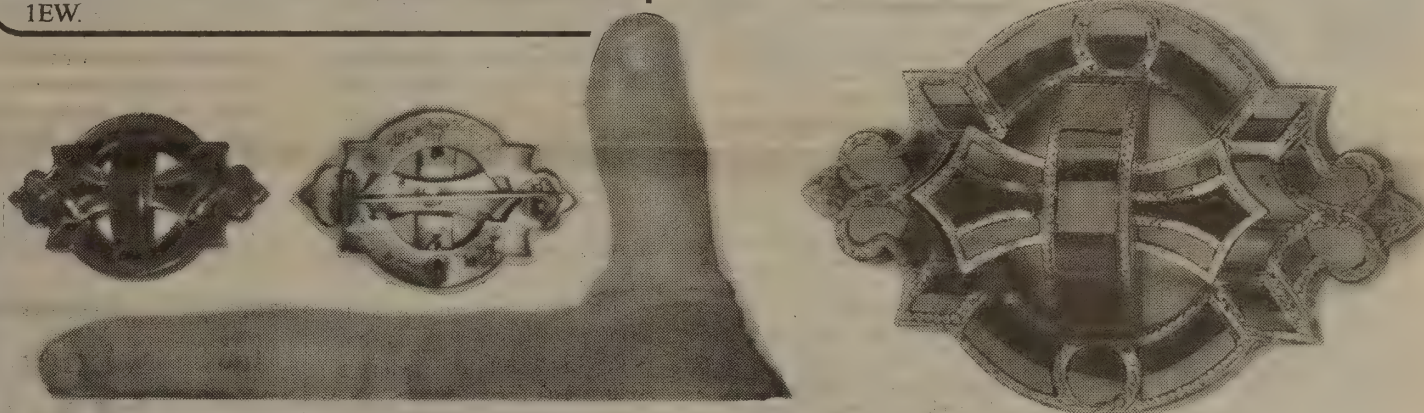
Everyone on board fell in with scurvy, including Dr. Prat. Many died and there weren't enough men left with the strength to run the ship or to care for the sick and dying. Once in San Diego, Dr. Prat continued to treat his men as the established an outpost. He also generously treated wounded Indians.

Later, Dr. Prat took part in the second Spanish expedition sailing to find Monterey.

Again, most of the crew fell ill and the doctor ministered to them under appalling conditions. For many this was their final voyage. Ultimately Dr. Prat himself died. Today Dr. Prat is remembered for his extraordinary efforts and for being one of the founding Spanish pioneers in California.



Showing actual size of the pin compared to Mrs. McPheeters's hand



### Here's a great mystery for our readers!

Back at the end of October last year, Phyllis M. McPheeters of 435 Forest Valley Rd., NE, Atlanta, GA 30342 (call 404-255-5393 or email: <PMCphe@aol.com>, visited The Odom Library in Moultrie. She told us the story of a lovely pin that was sent to her as a hostess gift, when the donor's daughter spent a few days with the McPheeters family in Atlanta. It was sent by Mr. Bauer of The Little Gnome Shop, then in Louisville, Kentucky.

Here's a photograph of the pin. Mrs. McPheeters says the pin is about 2-3 inches long and is not blue on the back, but silver.

Here's the information that came with the pin: "History of Scotch 'Pebble' or 'Tartan' Jewelry. The piece of Scotch Jewelry you now own was made about 1850 and was hand wrought of pure silver by an itinerant silversmith, traveling from farm to farm and village to village making jewelry to order, on the spot. The sets were cut and polished from pebbles or stones, common and mined in the area. The colors were usually the same colors used in the Scotch family tartans, and each piece of jewelry can be traced back to the individual family or ownership through books at most libraries, using the clan colors as the key."

"The jewelry was worn not only by the women of the family, but also by the men, with their dress or battle tartans and was also used by the men as burial insurance. The same as we today purchase insurance to guarantee proper burial. The early Scotch clans were often engaged in wars between the clans and in the event of death on the battle field anyone finding the body and properly interring it, was entitled to possession of all jewelry found thereon.

Scotch Tartan Jewelry has become very rare today, and is seldom found even in good and comprehensive antique shops. It can be worn year round, but is especially fine with woollens and tweeds in fall and winter."

If anyone has any information on this lovely piece, please contact Mrs. McPheeters at the above address. The colors, in reality, are a rust brown and a darker brown. As best I can see with a magnifying glass, the back is inscribed "Hetty from Will I. (or, it could be 'L') January 31<sup>st</sup>, 1874. There's an 'R' in the little diamond shaped marking on the back - with curlicues.



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Need names of parents, siblings and relatives for **JOHN CURRIE**, born 1790 in Parkhouse, Corrieavie, Isle of Arran, Scotland and who died 9 May 1851 in Canada. His wife was **CATHERINE STEWART** who was born 19 May 1805 in Rosebank, Corrieavie, Isle of Arran, Scotland. She died 19 December 1881 in Tarkio, Missouri. They were married 7 February 1828 in Kilmory Parish. I need parents and siblings for **CATHERINE** and her parents, **ARCHIBALD STEWART** and **MARY FULLERTON STEWART** and need proof for this, please. They emigrated to Canada 1838 or 1845. **JOHN** and **CATHERINE**'s children: **NEAL**, **MARY**, **PETER**, **JANET**, **MARGARET**, **DONALD**, **JOHN**, **ARCHIBALD**. Where did **JOHN** and **CATHERINE**'s parents come from? Please contact **Lavida Lyda**, Box 211, Whitehall, MT 59759. Email <merlelyda@in-tch.com>

Seek birth of **NEIL CAMPBELL** (ca 1750-1760) and **WILLIAM MACINTOSH** (ca 1735-1745). Both were Loyalists - 84th Highland Regiment. Please contact **Mary Deming**, 9 Sunrise Rd., Danbury, CT 06810. You might wish to email <mdeming@freeweb.com>

Seek information: two **ULRICH LONGENECKERS**, early 1700s, Lancaster - Chester Counties, Pennsylvania. Dick Cryer, Box 11011, Greenwich, CT 06831.

Need parents/siblings of **WILLIAM ROSS** married **PENSY WALLACE** 3 February 1825, Wilkinson County, Georgia. Moved to Arkansas 1850-60. Desire correspondence with descendants of the following listed 1880 Georgia: **PENCIE B. HORTON**, **PENSY M. PLAYER**, **CATHERINE JOHNSON**. Wanda P. Haggard, 1409 N. Sherry Lane, Shawnee, OK 74801-5421.

Seeking information on **RUDOLPHUS (EUDOLPHUS) SCOTT** born 1801. Married **PHOEBE WAKEFIELD**. Lived in Cattaraugus Co., NY in 1850. Their daughter **RUTH**, born 1830, married **JAMES FAUNCE**. I am searching for both lines, **SCOTT** and **FAUNCE**. I will share any information I have with others searching these lines. Merla Curtiss, 729 Glenview Drive, Plainwell, MI 49080-1309.

Looking for information on **JACOB STALEY** born 1787 Pennsylvania. His first wife was **VIRLINDY/VERLINDA**. Her maiden name and marriage dates not known. When and where did **JACOB** die? Their children were **JOHN**, born 1811,

Pennsylvania who married **LUCY STRIBBLING**. **ELIZABETH**, who married **LEWIS STOTT** and **NANCY** who married **JOHN HUPPLE**. **JACOB** married **CHARLOTTE JACKSON** and **VERLINDA** married **CALVIN BAKER**. **WILLIAM** married **MARTHA UNDERWOOD**. **ROSANNA** married **BENJAMIN SUTTON**. **HELLEN** married **ALBERT JOHNSON**. **INDIANNA** married **WILLIAM STORY**. **SARAH** married **SILAS SUTTON**. **ZARNIAH** married **ELYJAH THICKSTON**. **ABRAHAM** married **MARY MARLOW**. **HARRISON** married **LUCINDA KING**. All of this took place in Jennings Co., Indiana. The family was in West Virginia/Virginia 1812 through 1824. I am looking for information and descendants of these families. Please write **Pat Stayley**, 223 South Cass Ave., Westmont, IL 60559.

I am seeking my half brother, **VINCENT O'ROURKE**, born in Manhattan or nearby boroughs ca 1910. I am also looking for any members of his family. Our father was **JOSEPH P. O'ROURKE**, a native of Ireland living in New York City and his wife, **ANNIE**, whose maiden name is unknown. Please contact **Joe O'Rourke**, 276 North El Camino Real, #83, Oceanside, CA 92054. You may also Email: <joeorourke@earthlink.net>

Need proof corroborating DAR papers showing **LODWICK ALFORD** who died 1789 in Washington County, GA. He was born ca 1710 in New Kent County, Virginia and spent most of his adult life in central North Carolina. Court papers indicate he went to Greene County, Georgia in 1787 with son, **JULIUS** who was born 1747 and died 1820. Please contact **Lodwick Alford**, 282 Musgrove, Sea Island, GA 31561. Call 912-638-9266 or you might like to email: <Lalford@compuserve.com>

Does anyone know the exact burial site of Rev. **JOHN BROWN**, Presbyterian Minister, Revolutionary soldier, 2nd president of the University of Georgia, born in Ireland 1763 and died in Georgia 1842 in Ft. Gaines or Gainesville. Many of his descendants would love to know. Please contact **Ann Allredge**, 926 Huntingdon Rd., Panama City, FL 32405.

My grandfather is **NEILL ARCHIBALD McDONALD**, Richmond County, North Carolina. He was the son of **JAMES DANIEL**

**McDANIEL/McDONALD**, born Moore County or Montgomery County, North Carolina. I believe **JAMES** is kin to **ARCHIBALD McDONALD**, Greenville, South Carolina (which was once Anson Co., North Carolina territory). He died 1849 with no will, no proof of issue. Sons names? **ARCHIBALD**'s father, **JOHN McDONALD** left a will in South Carolina, but did not name his children. Sons names? Help! One of his sons was **NEILL McDONALD**. There were two **NEILL McDONALDS** on the 1790 Richmond County, North Carolina census, each with five sons. **NEILL** and **MARY** appear in Richmond County ca 1812 when they purchase land. 1825: only **MARY**'s name, as if **NEILL** is deceased. No will. **NEILL** and **MARY**'s sons - who? I would be glad to hear from anyone with **McDANIEL/McDONALD** lines in North or South Carolina. Send charts if you have them. I have a 20-year accumulation of **McDONALD/McDANIEL** records and can be of help. Please contact **N. Wimberley Winden**, 1511 Buckmann Ct., Houston, TX 77043-3301.

How did my maternal ancestor **THANKFUL DELANO PRINCE** (1750-1840) relate to **Rev. THOMAS PRINCE**? Plymouth County, Massachusetts? Contact **Richard Morrissey**, 28656 Murieta, Sun City, (Riverside County), CA 92586.

Does anyone have any information on the **CHARLTON BROTHERS**? They were from the Scottish Borders. Who were they? Where did they live specifically? What did they do? My maiden name is **CHARLTON** and my great-grandmother came from England. I have been trying to collect any and all information on the surname **CHARLTON**. Please write **Mrs. Margaret Spangler**, PO Box 581, Holgate, OH 43527-0581.

Seeking information on **JAMES HIGNUT** of Dorchester County, Maryland. He owned land in this area in 1760. I would also like anything on his son, **JOHN HIGNUT**, from Guilford County, North Carolina in 1790. His son, **MOSES HIGNUT/HIGNIGHT** who lived in Knox County, Kentucky. Any helpful information? Surname **HIGNUT** or **HIGNET**, **HIGNIGHT**, **HIGNITE**. Please contact **Dennis Hignite**, 204 1/2 W. Union St., Midland, MI 48640-4976. Call 517-832-0427.

Want information on town named **HEROD** in Terrell County, Georgia. Was it named for Creek Indian Chief **HEROD**? I would like to hear from

descendants and also descendants of **CEPHUS HEROD**, Vinita, Oklahoma 1910-1920. Please contact **Barbara Helwick**, PO Box 50345, Casper, WY 82605.

Seeking information on **HARRIET DEBELL RINGO**, born 4 March 1825 possibly in Tennessee or Kentucky. She married **BENJAMINE HARRISON SAPP** 14 January 1843 in Blount County, Alabama. They moved to Marysville, Texas (Cooke County) after the Civil War. I am also seeking **RINGO**'s or **DEBELL**'s living in north Alabama, Tennessee or Kentucky during the early 1800s. Please contact **Paulette Cleveland**, 2762 Arapahoe Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32210.

**MIDDLETON**: Seeking parents (**JACOB**?), wife (**CHLOE BLACK**?), born 1787-8, Lincoln Co., KY and ancestors including **OGLETHORPE**? of **SAMUEL MIDDLETON**, born 1787-8 in Mercer Co., KY. He married **CHLOE** in 181? and moved to Washington Twp., Vigo Co., IN. There he had daughter, **MARY**, born 1819, two sons including **JOSIAH**, born 1814 and other children. He may have moved back to KY in the 1820s. He was, by 1850, in Edgar Co., IL, where he died ca 1850. Please contact **Jim Calvin**, Box 936, Barnstable, MA 02630. Email <saltenpoint@prodigy.net>

Researching surname **FLETCHER** - all lines, all localities. Send long SASE for brochure or visit <www.genealogy.fletcher.net> Please contact **Marilyn Brown**, Fletcher Family Research Bulletin, 627 Polk 412, Mena, AR 71953.

On 5 June 1865, my great-grandmother, **MARGARET DeMONIA**, married **A.P. JACKSON** in Haralson Co., GA. The name **L.D. DeMONIA**, presumably a relative of **MARGARET**, appears on the Haralson County Tax Digest of 1873. This is all I know about my **DeMONIA** ancestors. I would like to hear from anyone who can provide additional information. Please contact **Wayne W. Daniel**, 2943 Applying Drive, Chamblee, GA 30341-5113, USA. Call 770-455-9348 or email <wwdaniel@gsu.edu>.

Seeking any information on my grandmother, **JOHAN McKAY McLEOD**. She went by the names of "**JOAN**" and the nickname of "**JESSIE**." The last known whereabouts of her parents was on the birth of a brother, **ALEXANDER MacLEOD**, born 6 July 1892 on

Shoemaker St., in Brora, Scotland. **JOAN McLEOD** came to Canada and married my grandfather in 1914. There are five pages of information on this family. If you would like copies or have any information, please contact **Mrs. Morag J. Duncan Apostle**, 579 Valour Road, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3G 3A7, Canada. Please call 204-775-9583.

Seek information on **URIAH SINKLER** who died 1785 Edenton, North Carolina. He married **ANN FLURY**. Their children, **MARY ANN**, born 8 September 1781 and possibly, a son, **JOHN**. Need parents' names, dates of marriages, other children. Please contact **Ann L. Skene**, 9501 North College Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46210-1035. (Ed. Note: "Sinkler" is the Orkney pronunciation of "Sinclair" or "St. Clair".)

Seeking information on siblings, mother, father and all ancestors of **JOSEPH MILTON BLAIR, SR.**, born 1880, Derry, Pennsylvania, Montgomery County. Also seek same information on **MARGARET PEARL SMAIL (SMAEL) BLAIR**, born 1885 Jeanette, Pennsylvania, Westmoreland County. Please write to **Col. Joe Blair, III**, 1511 Old Town Way, Hendersonville, NC 28739-7704.

### Guidelines

1. Queries run once.
2. Cost is 25¢ a word. Dates EX: 4 May 1841 or 1841-1855 count as ONE word. Name and addresses DO count.
3. Single abbreviations EX: b (born) d (died), do NOT count. Nor does punctuation.
4. If you run multiple queries and want your name and address listed separately with each query, count your address for each query.
5. Double check dates & spelling of names.
6. Indicate **SURNAMES** clearly by underlining them or printing in all-caps.
7. Make sure that the event clearly refers to the individual. EX: John Smith b 1823 d 1893 m Jane Jones 1843. NOT John Smith b 1823 m Jane Jones 1843 d 1893. (Who died in 1893 Jane or John?)
8. Typed or printed queries are preferred for accuracy.



## Here's lots of things you need to know about the.....

### Project 1890 Census needs your help

There is a project to publish a book listing all US residents living at the time of the 1890 census. We all know that 99% of this precious document was destroyed, and this is a great effort to replace the information.

The information for the project will be furnished by descendants of those people. There is no charge for listing your ancestors and when permission is granted, contributors will be listed with the proper reference to their ancestor's entries.

Submission deadline is April 2000. The data will be published and sold at cost with copies going to the Library of Congress, Maine State Library, Maine State Historical Society and Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Library.

For submitting your ancestors' vital statistics please use the following format: head of Household - full name, age, date of birth, place of birth (including town, county, state), sex, race (W = White; C = Colored, I = Indian, A = Asian),

spouse - full name (maiden surname in ()'s, age, date of birth, sex, race. Children: list each child separately including full name, date, age, date of birth, place of birth, sex, race. Be sure and include an information source list: family Bible, family genealogy book, etc. Notes are optional. Some notes will be added, e.g., 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, children by which wife, if they died or got married in 1890 or additional surname spellings. Note: person who died before 1890 or was born after 1890 will be omitted from the book.

Send submissions to Angela M. Foster, PO Box 2551, Waterville, ME 04903. You may also you might wish to email: <chinaDoll2@netscape.net> Contributions are most welcome.

### Oh, my! They missed lots of us!

During the 1990 census, it is estimated that 1.6% of the United States population were missed as well as 3.2% of the children.

The states with the highest percentages of "overlooked" were: Texas, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana, Georgia,

South Carolina, Maryland, California, New Mexico, Montana, Virginia, Wisconsin and Illinois.

With thanks to Kishwaukee Genealogists, PO Box 5503, Rockford, IL 61125-0503.

### You can get 1930/1940s census information!

Although the 1930/1940 Federal Census is not generally available to the public, limited information (generally on a specific individual) may be obtainable by filling out and returning to the Census Bureau form BC-600.

Certain qualifications exist, in that the form used assumes that the requesting person actually is the person being researched and requires a great deal of background information, as well as the relationship of the seeker to the person being

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For more information, you may contact The Census Website which holds information on this type of "Age Search" at <<<http://www.census.gov/genealogy/www/gearesearch.html>>>

## When you read a census record, think about this...

Census records are considered to be primary sources in genealogy. Census is a Latin word meaning a count of persons and property for taxation.

From 1790 through 1820 there were three copies of census' made. (Remember, in our context here, we mean COPIES made by hand in handwriting...not the "push the button and a copy appears" variety.) One copy was sent to the clerk of the district court and two copies were posted locally in public places for everyone to see.

In 1830, all back copies from the district court were forwarded to the US Secretary of State in Washington, DC.

The census records of 1830 and 1840 had only two copies. One copy was sent to the US District Court, one for the US Secretary of State in Washington, DC.

Remember, on the 1840 census, all the way to the right, there is a column that lists Revolutionary Soldiers and their ages.

Once again, from 1850 through 1880, three copies were made. One was for the Clerk of the County Court, one for the Secretary of State and one went to Washington, DC.

From 1890 to 1920, only one copy was made and the 1890 copy was almost totally destroyed by fire.

It is important to view each copy of the census record if you have a doubt or question. The original of the firsts copy may be in longhand and may include notes about the family that, by the third copy, the writer had grown weary of and may have copied only the head of household's last name and first initial.

Remember, after walking/riding the designated beat in the heat or cold, the census taker returned home and, by candlelight, copied the day's census over twice.

With thanks to Pine Barrens, the quarterly of the South Georgia Genealogical Society. Contact the SSGS, 706 Crabapple Dr., Thomasville, GA 31757.

## United States Census 2000 Schedule

\* Mid-March: Census questionnaires will be delivered

\* April 1 is Census Day

\* March - May 2000: Census takers will visit housing units in rural and remote areas to drop off and/or pick up forms.

\* October-November 2000: All field work completed.

\* December 31, 2000: Apportionment counts delivered to the President.

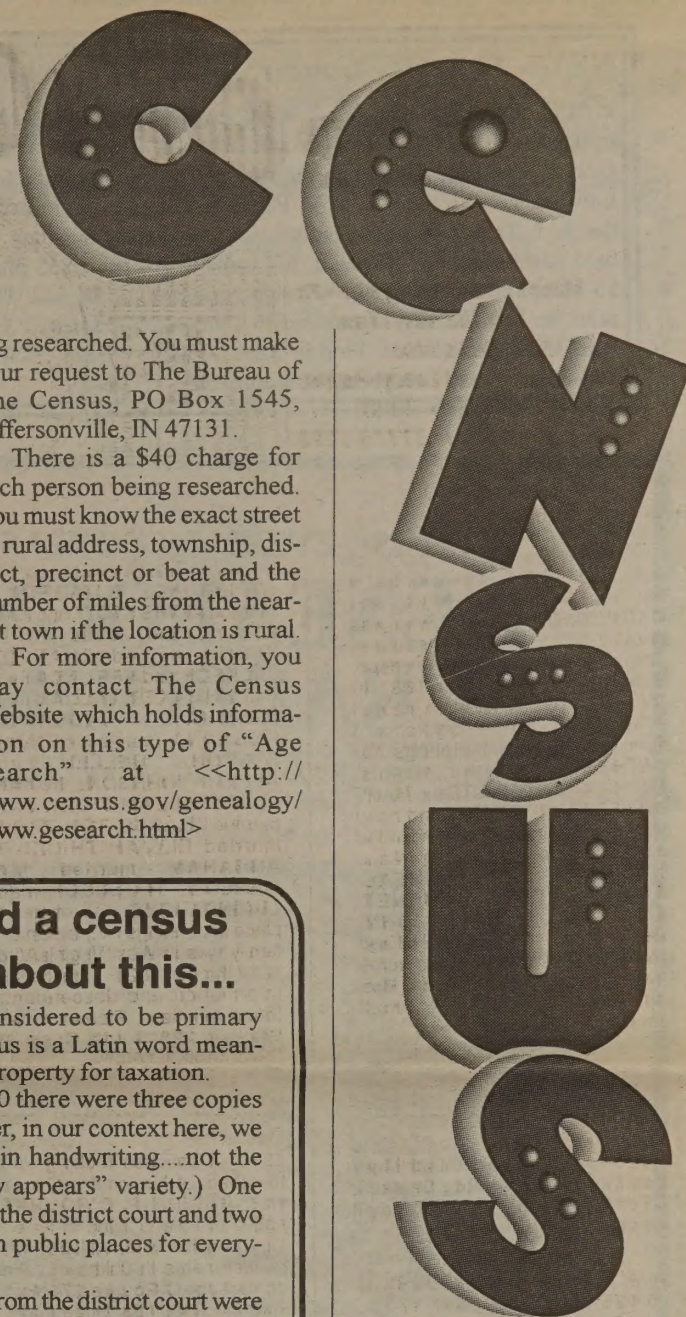
\* April 1, 2001: All states receive redistricting counts.

The 2000 American Census will include about 275 MILLION United States residents.

About 83% of the housing units will receive the short-form questionnaire. The short form will be the shortest in 180 years. The short form asks seven questions: name, sex, age, relationship, Hispanic origin, race and housing tenure (whether the house is owned or rented).

The long form covers about 34 subjects, place of birth, citizenship and year of entry, veteran status, including education, ancestry, employment, disability and home heating fuel. Only 1 in 6 households will receive the long form.

With thanks to the *Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society Newsletter*.



### Census dates to remember

Census enumerators were instructed to take the census as of the census date, regardless of the visit date.

Babies born after the census date were not to be included, but deaths were.

All enumerators did not apply this rule, but genealogists should be aware of which dates should have shown.

The census days of 1790, 1800, 1810 and 1820 were the first Monday in August; for 1830 through 1900, it was the first of June and for 1910, it was April 15<sup>th</sup>; for 1920, the date was not given and for 1930 through 1990, it was April 1<sup>st</sup>.

With thanks to the *Journal of the Kanawha Valley Genealogical Society*.



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## Tartan Jammie strikes in Georgia!

**Tartan Jammie party!** Here are (l-r) Ceilia Pearson, Augusta Pearson and Alexis Pearson - all of Clan Morrison from the Isle of Lewis. The girls are the daughters of Jim and Dee Pearson, 646 McKinnon Rd., Boston, GA 31626-2716.

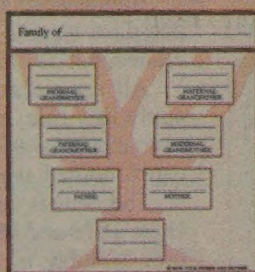
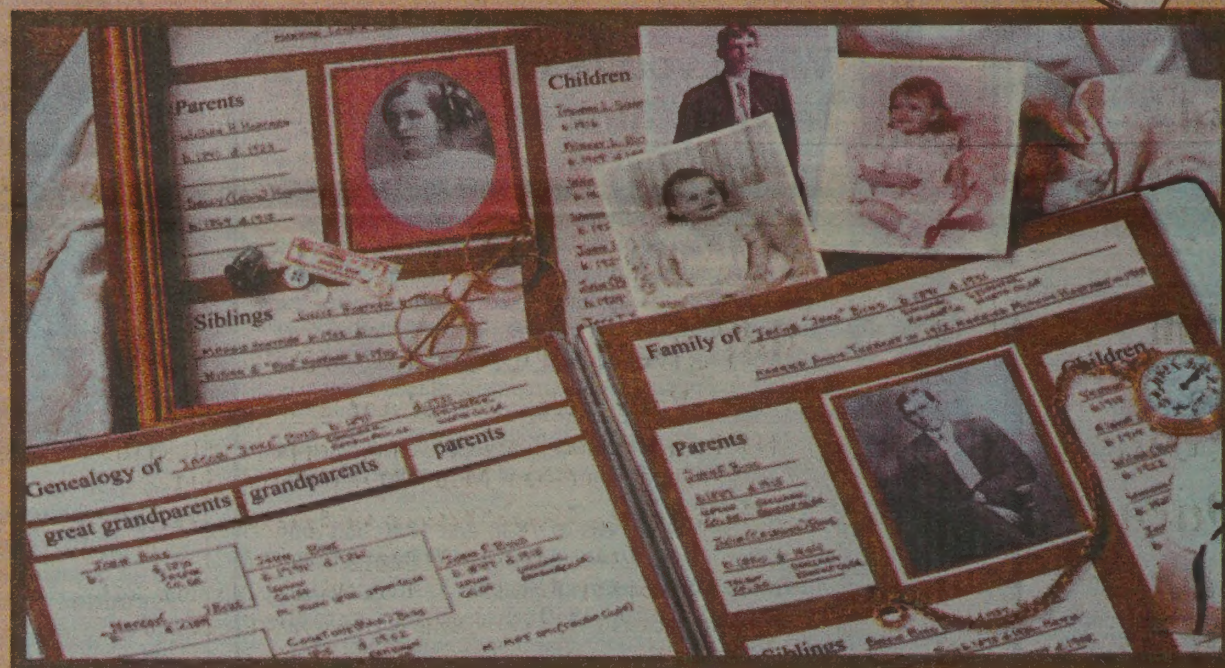
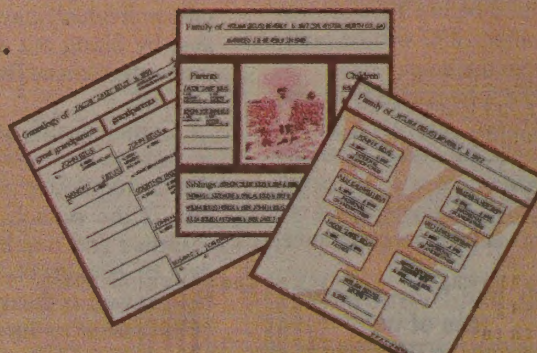


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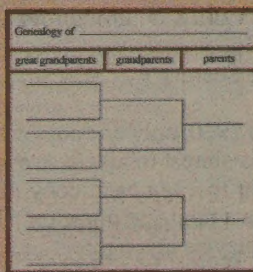
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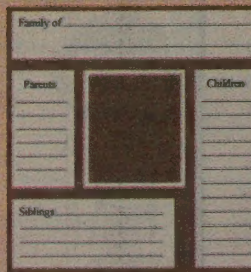
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The Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas area is the setting for the year 2000 AGM of the Clan Stewart Society of America, Inc. The dates will be June 2 - 4.

The actual AGM will be held on Saturday, June 3 with a dinner in the evening with the meeting to follow.

Contact Fred Stewart for more information at 817-847-5562.

## Civil War info, continued from page 17B

active. The muster out date is the time when the regiment was released from active service. Did you know that there is now an American Civil War Research Database? There is. It's a web site created by Historical Data Systems and makes Civil War ancestor research not only possible, but relatively easy. The company's staff has entered records from several sources for roughly half of the four million soldiers who fought in that war. The database is a work-in-progress, but is even now a valuable research tool. The url is <http://www.civilwardata.com>



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## Family Chronicle article discusses an Irish research resource

Irish research has always been moderately difficult and in the January/February 2000 issue of *Family Chronicle*, an article entitled "The Search for Missing Irish Family and Friends" discusses a valuable American research resource recently published by the New England Historical Genealogical Society (NEHGS).

Over a hundred thousand classified advertisements were placed in The Boston Pilot by relatives and friends of Irish immigrants trying to establish contact with long lost relatives. The Family Chronicle article shows examples of some of the classifieds and explains how this resource can be used to help you with your Irish research.

A free trial copy may be had by calling 1-888-326-2476 or by visiting the web site at <www.familychronicle.com>

Contact Ron Wild, 416-491-3699 x 115 or email: <ronwild@familychronicle.com> Mail: Box 1209, Lewiston, NY 14092. Please mention you saw this article in The Family Tree!

## COSCA, continued from page 2B

of far more value than men. I do assure your Grace that it is the prevailing opinion of this county that, should the Czar of Russia take possession of Dunrobin Castle and Stafford house next term that we could not expect worse treatment at his hands that we have experienced at the hands of your family for the past fifty years. Your parents, yourself and your Commissioners have desolated the glens and the straths of Sutherland where you should find hundreds, yea thousands of men to meet and respond to your call cheerfully had your parents kept faith with them. How could your Grace expect to find men where they are not, and the few of them that are to

be found have more sense than to be decoyed off by chaff to the field of slaughter. But one comfort you have; though you cannot find men to fight, you can supply those who will fight with plenty of mutton, beef and venison."

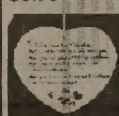
In the next COSCA report we will return to following John MacDonell's route as he headed West to his winter trading post.

We will report on high rolling waves, driving rain squalls, 44 degree F temperatures, treacherous portages and all the stuff that makes for a great COSCA adventure.

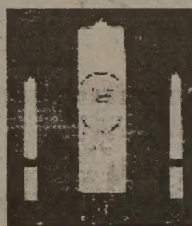
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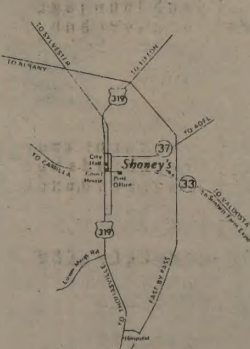
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## Ottawa prepares to host National Gymanfa Ganu in 2000! You're invited

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Plans are well underway for the 69th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu, which will be held in Ottawa, Ontario, August 31-September 3, 2000.

All gymanfa activities will take place in the Ottawa Congress Centre.

The weekend will kick off with an appearance by the

Bangor Area Senior High School Slater Band, from Bangor, PA, which will open the festivities by marching and playing music in their Red Dragon uniforms. Thursday evening we are planning a traditional noson lawen, with contributions from talented artists from Canada, Wales and the United States.

The Ottawa 2000 Gymanfa Ganu committee has been working for two years already to make arrangements. Contact us at P.O. Box 51021, Orleans, ON K1E 3W4 or by fax at 613-841-9297, or via our web site: <http://home.istar.ca/~ottwelsh/> for registration packets and information.



Does anyone know who this lovely lady is? On the back of this old photograph are the words, "Mrs. J.C. Lanier (ne Minnie Woodward), 1<sup>st</sup> married to Archie Auguster Drake, Sr., mother of Archie A. Drake, Jr., sister of ? Leila Woodward (Mrs. Wm. Spivey Stetson). Aunt Minnie visited us in Jacksonville in our home until my mother's death ("Ma"). Last visit was with Perkins family of ???, Ga. Born in Culloden, Ga on plantation. 1<sup>st</sup> married to Archie Auguster Drake, father of Marthe and Archie Drake, Jr., 2<sup>nd</sup> married to Jefferson Davis Lanier, DDS. Our family had visits in summer in their beautiful old home."

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